

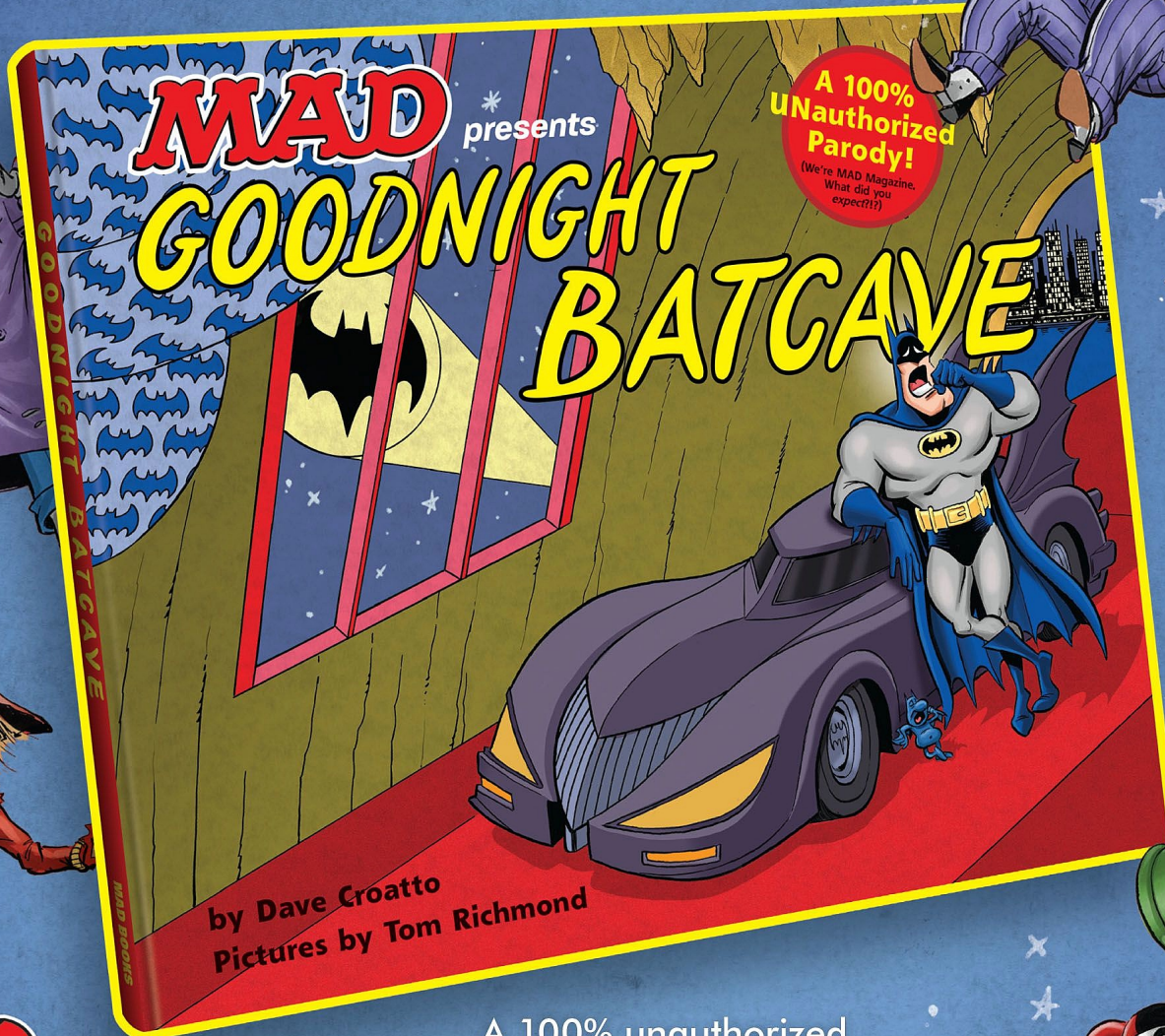
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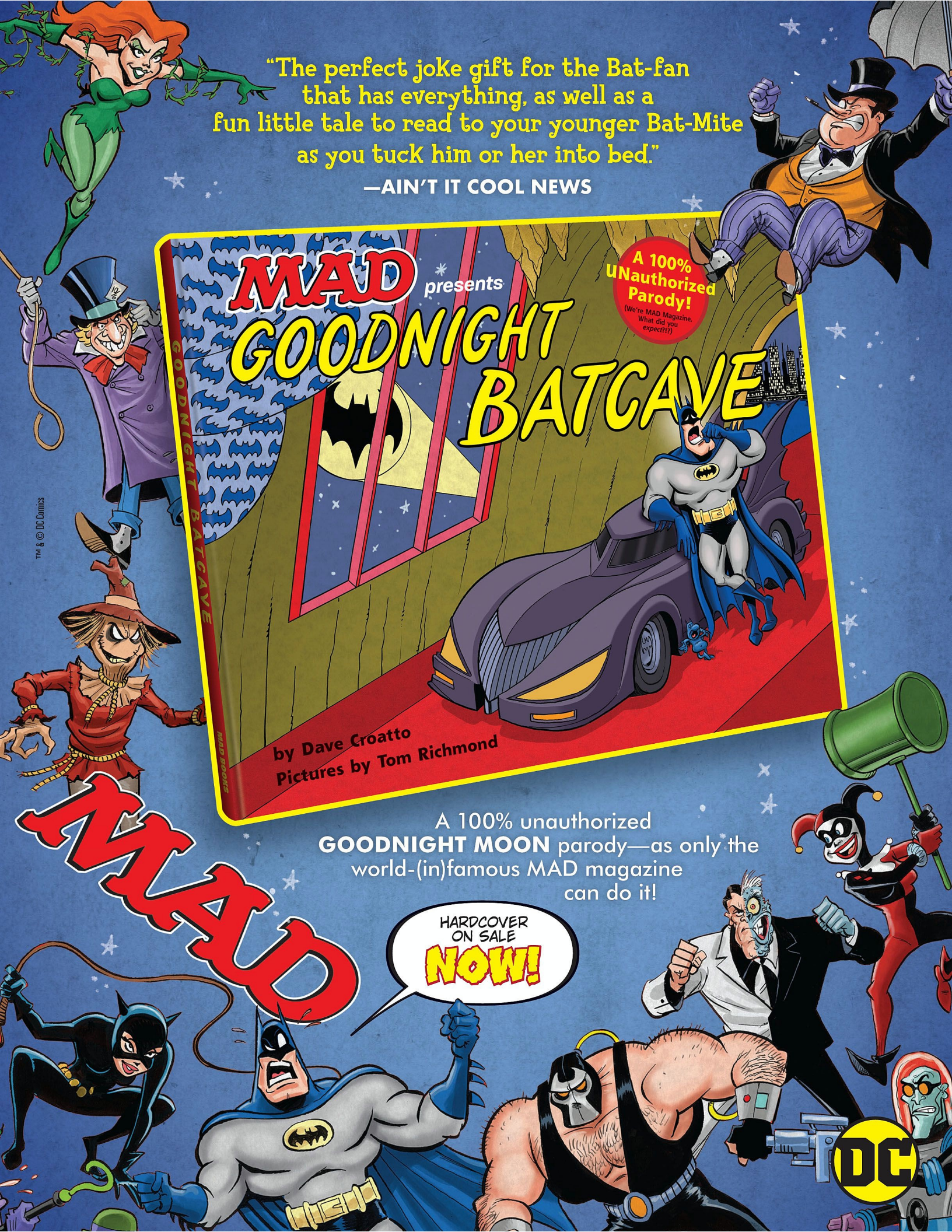
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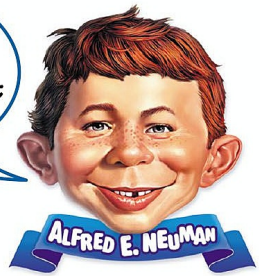
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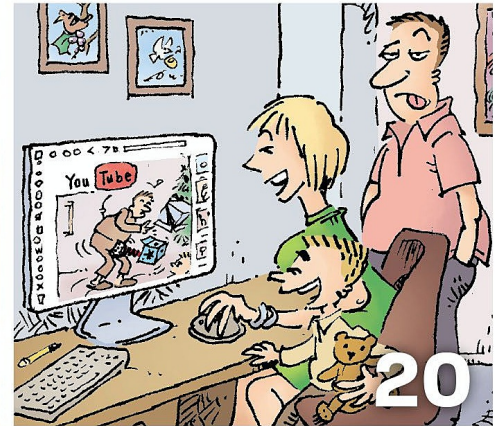


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COVER ARTIST: MARK FREDRICKSON

# Letters and Tomatoes



## MISTAKING COVER

Hi! I just wanted to take time to say how much I enjoy your magazine! Being a huge DC Comics fan, it was inevitable that I'd love MAD. Every magazine is hilarious from front to cover! I always look forward to getting it, and often reread it multiple times. Even my dad gets many laughs out of every section; he used to read his brothers' old ones as a kid! Keep up the good work!

Jared Coffey • New York, NY

Coffey Klatch — We were thrilled by your enthusiasm until we realized the subtle insult you were hurling at us by calling MAD "hilarious from front to cover." That's like saying it was funny from start to beginning! But we're flattered just the same — most people can't even read "MAD" on the cover before losing interest! Thanks for "reading"! —Ed.

## MOUNTAIN EVIDENCE

Regarding issue #544, I see you have joined the likes of CNN and Fox News as purveyors of alternative facts. Everyone knows Mt. Rushmore isn't in North Dakota, it's in Wyoming. Where'd you guys go to school? Trump University?

Chris Weide • Glenwood, IA

Weide Wacker — Of course we have degrees from Trump University — or as we like to call it, the old TU! That's why we're absolutely certain that Mount Rushmore is in North Dakota — not Wyoming or (as has been rumored by the tinfoil-hat crowd) South Dakota! In fact, we're so pleased with our education that we really do want our former Dean of Students, President Donald J. Trump, to blast away the images of the four Presidents that are currently carved into the mountain — Al Gore, Shaquille O'Neal, Homer Simpson and Drake! Your days are numbered, ya big stony galoots! —Ed.

## MAD SIGHTINGS

This is the ladies room in the Les Delices de Maya restaurant in São Paulo Brazil. We ate there anyway.

Larry Ganem • Burbank, CA

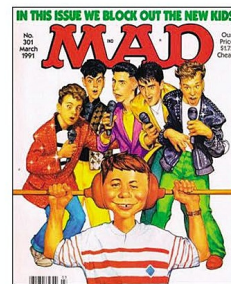
Ganem Fodder — Wait...why did you eat in the ladies room?!? Thanks for the pictures — we're glad to see that bad taste spans the globe! —Ed.



Photos: Lisa Terry

## MAD TWEETS

Donnie Wahlberg (i.e., the one NOT responsible for leading a Funky Bunch) recently got around to commenting on MAD #301 (March 1991). Thanks for the kind words, Donnie! We can't wait to hear your take on *Home Alone* and General Norman Schwarzkopf as you slowly make your way through our back issues!



Donnie Wahlberg @DonnieWahlberg · Dec 1

#TBT you know you've made it when @nbcnl does a skit on @nktb, but you've become iconic when you land the @MADmagazine cover. (I think). 🤪

## HERO TOLERANCE

I would genuinely appreciate your consideration of publishing a very special tribute to another "Driver" who was quite prominent in American history. If any of your staff can actually read, you might want to check out Capt. William Driver, and his sojourn into history as the American patriot who gave the United States flag the moniker "Old Glory." He provided the name "Old Glory" based upon his frigate, and later sailed that vessel to the Pitcairn islands, where he assisted sailors from the Mutiny on the Bounty.

Jerrell Driver • Cape Girardeau, MO

Jerrell Hath No Fury — Thanks so much for the history lesson — and we're sure that if we could "actually read," we'd find it that much more edifying! But you tripped us up early on, when you said that William was "another Driver who was quite prominent in American history." *Another Driver?* Are you saying that you're on a par with that brave, intrepid patriot? We're just checking — because "fabled naval hero" and "wing-nut MAD letter-writer" might not quite be on the same level of prominence. On the other hand, judging by your charming letter, we're guessing you and the long-deceased captain get invited to the same number of parties! —Ed.

## THE HOAX ON YOU

After reading the latest Letters and Tomatoes, I decided to write in as a test. I figured there's no way you have enough readers/writers to keep this section of your publication going year after year. Therefore, if this letter doesn't appear, I'll know you've had to create your own "readers." Thanks for taking the time to read this email from a very real subscriber, there can't be many of us.

Miguel Cartagena, Jr • Tampa, FL

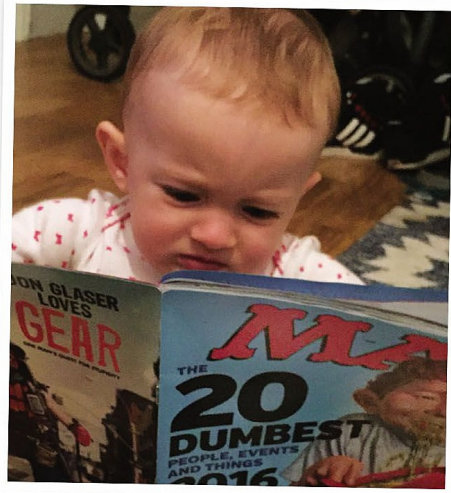
Shopping Cartagena — We're not exactly sure what this highly-scientific test of yours would prove. If we ARE creating our own readers and letters, wouldn't we want to print your letter, since it would mean less work for us? After all, the only thing greater than our crushing unpopularity is our complete laziness! Still, we promise you that all the letters and writers are real — the secret to keeping it going is that we have extremely low standards and we'll publish a letter from any simpering moron who can string a few words together, no matter how incoherent. Hence your appearance in our fine pages! Anyhoo, thanks for writing a letter far dumber than anything we could have created ourselves! —Ed.

## IN THE SHAME OF THE FATHER

Since MAD Magazine has had such a profound influence on my life, I figured I'd screw up my kid so we'd have stuff in common. Unfortunately her reaction was a literal "blech" when she picked up her first issue.

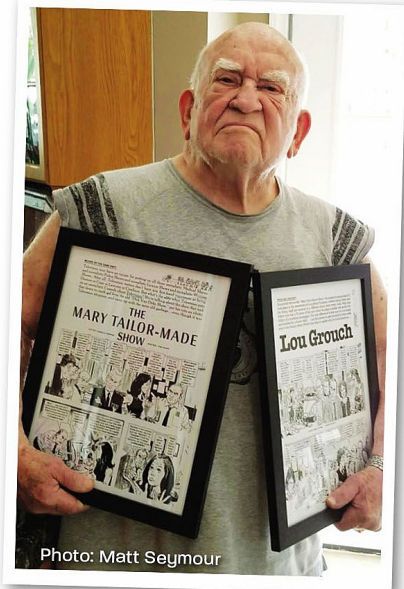
Tim Sullivan • Brooklyn, NY

Pacific Tim — We were delighted by your photograph — not because your daughter obviously despises MAD (that's to be expected), but because she's obviously an extremely good judge of quality. And you know what that means, don't you, Timmy-boy? As soon as she's old enough to speak, she'll let you know just how moronic and screwed-up you really are! We're guessing her first words will be "I'd like to be emancipated!" Anyway, thanks so much for writing! —Ed.



## CELEBRITY SNAPS

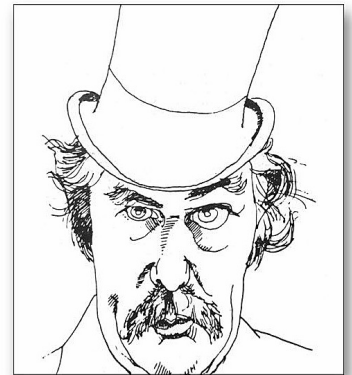
Whether you know him as Lou Grant from *The Mary Tyler Moore Show*, as Carl Fredrickson from *Up* or as the oldest man to credibly rock a muscle shirt, Ed Asner is a living legend! So we can't understand why he would want framed copies of the MAD spoofs he appeared in. We can only assume this picture was taken as Ed was determinedly walking them out to the nearest dumpster!



## REMEMBERING GERRY GERSTEN, 1927-2017

Back in 1985, my then-co-editor Nick Meglin and I were looking for new artists for MAD. The bar was high. Beyond top talents, we were looking for artists with unique style; craftsmen who would expand the boundaries of what was normally considered MAD art. One day, I brought in a copy of the *New York Times Book Review* that contained a book club ad, featuring terrific little caricatures of some of the world's greatest writers, such as Hemingway and Poe. "What about this guy?" I asked Nick. "Oh, I know him. That's Gerry Gersten. He's a terrific artist. I interviewed him for my book, *The Art of Humorous Illustration*."

We immediately put Gerry's name on our wish list. A few weeks later, MAD writer Frank Jacobs submitted a parody of "The Raven" called "The Reagan," spoofing then-President Ronald Reagan. Nick and I instantly saw this as an opportunity to work with Gerry and to give MAD a new look, something we ultimately came to refer to as an "impact piece" of art. Instead of a stanza-by-stanza box layout, which was typical of MAD in that era, we ran the entire poem on one page and turned Gerry loose on the opposite page with a large, single piece of art. It worked beautifully.



A quiet, refined man and a highly successful commercial artist, Gerry first showed up at MAD sporting a blazer and tie. Within seconds, someone on staff made a disparaging comment about the way he was nattily overdressed for the notoriously shabby MAD offices. Others piled on, chiding him for his "stupidity" in agreeing to work for MAD. You could see the color drain from Gerry's face. What had he gotten himself into? This was certainly not the cordial, respectful treatment he was accustomed to when visiting a client. With that kind of reception, Nick and I were nervous that Gerry's first MAD job might be his last. Luckily for us (and for MAD) our fears were totally unfounded. Within days of dropping off his finishes for "The Reagan," Gerry was on the phone asking when the next MAD assignment was coming. It turned out that Gerry loved the insults, the abuse and the camaraderie.

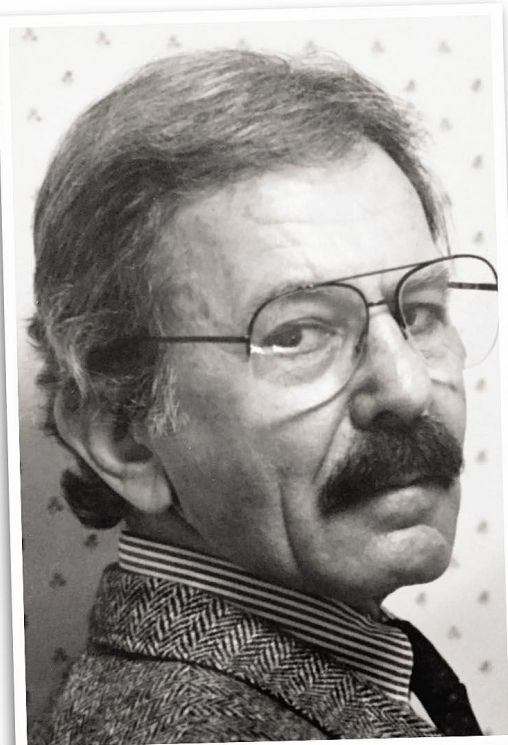
Gerry and I became close friends. We travelled together through Europe on MAD trips and I visited him at his Connecticut home. And he was part of what I think of as "the MAD joke phone train." It would start with Duck Edwing calling me with his latest awful joke. I would then call and pass it along to Gerry. (Other members of the train included John "Hammerhead" Caldwell, Rick Tulka and Al Jaffee — basically any MAD contributor who wouldn't hang up immediately upon hearing my voice.)

Right after Gerry's first appearance in MAD, I was at my desk when the phone rang. On the other end of the line was MAD's original editor, Harvey Kurtzman. "I was looking through the new issue," he said, "and I saw Gerry Gersten's piece. How did you ever get him? He's a top-flight illustrator."

We not only got him, but over the next 23 years, Gerry illustrated 39 memorable articles, including numerous impact pieces. He also redefined the popular feature "The MAD Nasty File."

One of the true highlights of my MAD career was knowing and working with Gerry.

— John Ficarra, MAD Executive Editor



# Letters and Tomatoes

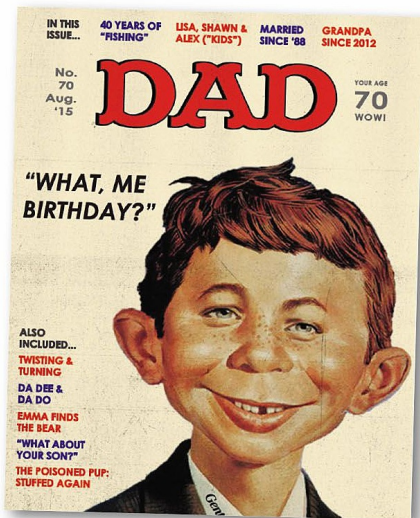


## DADDY ISSUE

I'm still busy collecting MAD mags and all of your permutations — looking forward to the next ones! Thought you might get a charge out of the poster that my kids put together for me for a recent birthday. The copy is all family-related and some inside jokes, but wrapped up in a MAD-themed presentation made it really special. I have it framed in my office along with a bunch of other MAD posters. Can't seem to outgrow it!

Alan Topp • Ontario, Canada

RoboTopp — We have to hand it to your kids — they put together a truly heart-warming act of copy-right infringement! We'll let the lawyers sort out the damages, but happy belated birthday! —Ed.



## THAT INKING FEELING

I go to my local library, which has its own subscription to MAD Magazine, only to find that because of its poor security, the copies are constantly getting stolen. I would like to make a request for an ink bomb to be placed in their magazines in the future for safekeeping.

James Touchton • Tampa, FL

Look, Don't Touchton — We knew things were bad down in Florida, but the MAD-swiping situation in Tampa's security-deficient public libraries is extremely troubling. Quite frankly, we're a little worried about YOUR security in such sketchy places — so we have a request of our own: why don't you cut out the middle man and just spring for a subscription? For a mere \$19.99 per year, you'll be able to stay safe in your dimly-lit hovel, and we'll get your sweet, sweet cash! It's a win-win! —Ed.

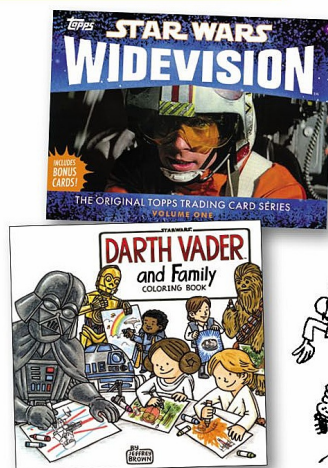
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Looking for a way to waste time AND open yourself up to public ridicule? You're in luck! You can do both simply by following us on Facebook, Tumblr, Twitter and Instagram! It's a perfect plan! (Except for the ridicule — but that's your problem, not ours!)



## READER ALERT

It is with great sadness that we report that this will be the last issue of MAD offering giveaways to those whose letters were printed. Although we will continue to print letters (and, worse yet, responses!) there will be no reward for the letter-writers, only the shame and humiliation of being associated with MAD. It'll be just like working here! BUT, If you had your letter printed in this issue, hokey smokes are you ever a lucky duck! You'll be getting *Star Wars: The Visual Encyclopedia* from our friends at DK; *XXX: Return of Xander Cage*, courtesy of our pals at Paramount Home Media Distribution; *Star Wars: Widevision*, from our chums at Abrams ComicArts and the *Darth Vader and Family Coloring Book* by Jeffrey Brown, courtesy of our amigos at Chronicle Books!



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# THE FUNDALINI

## HOW TO SPOT FAKE NEWS

Overly-sensationalist headline contains five or more emojis

The URL FakeNewz.biz seems suspicious. Wouldn't a legitimate media outlet have sprung for FakeNewz.com?

The article is written in a Choose-Your-Own-Adventure format, allowing you to select the outcome that best fits your personal political agenda

It was shared with you on Facebook by that weird old guy whose friend request you only accepted because you thought he was your distant uncle, and now you're afraid to unfriend him because he's holding an AR-15 in all his profile pics

The article repeatedly misspells "Lizard People"

When you add up all the slices on the pie chart, the total comes out to 317.9%

For a news outlet with millions of Twitter followers, it sure seems odd that when you call the number listed on *The Poughkeepsie Truth-Teller's* page, you get a Pizza Hut

Not only do none of the quotations cite a source, they're all lifted word-for-word from Billy Joel's "We Didn't Start the Fire"

The story is being yelled at you by a pale, sweaty White House press secretary wearing a much larger man's suit jacket

Writer: Kenny Keil Artist: Ward Sutton

## Things El Chapo Learned While in New York City



After all the hype, The "Naked" Cowboy in Times Square is wearing freakin' underwear!

It's hard to get a good chalupa south of Houston Street.

Thanks to the high cost of living, correctional guards in New York are way more expensive to bribe.

98 years to finish the Second Avenue Subway? His team could've dug that out in three months!

New York City water is the best for making toilet wine.

At four bucks for a street pretzel, he got into the wrong line of business!

Uber does not provide "escape vehicles."

Artist:  
Jonathan  
Edwards

## A TRUTHFUL VERSION OF MCDONALD'S BIG MAC AD

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Usually regurgitated.

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### Mac Jr. NEW

For those times you want the heart-murdering grease assault of a Big Mac but don't want all that oily stool, the Mac Jr. has a single layer of 100% taste-free frozen beef, one slice of war ration-grade American cheese and whatever scraps of lettuce our stoned kitchen drones manage to toss upon the tragic little thing during assembly. Smaller really does mean better — after all, how much more of this depressing "food" do you really want to push into your wet, gaping face-hole?

### Big Mac®

The one, the only, the original it-takes-three-days-to-pass-through-your-system burger! Two all-diseased patties, earwax-colored mayonnaise we have the gall to call "special sauce," browning lettuce bits, disturbingly plastic cheese and oddly soft pickles, all lying like a half-dead hobo on a high-fructose corn syrup bun.

### Grand Mac NEW

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\*Unless our customers actually fall for this lazy marketing ploy



## Eckstein Marks the Spot



Writer and Artist:  
Bob Eckstein

## The Fast Five WAYS RONDA ROUSEY CELEBRATED HER 30TH BIRTHDAY

- 1 "Tapping out" after a mere 12 of her 30 birthday punches
- 2 Tearfully submitting her *Dancing with the Stars* application
- 3 Enrolling in Mike Tyson's acting class for has-been fighters
- 4 Being thankful that she has trouble remembering anything that's happened since 2014
- 5 Getting kicked in the face to the tune of "Happy Birthday"

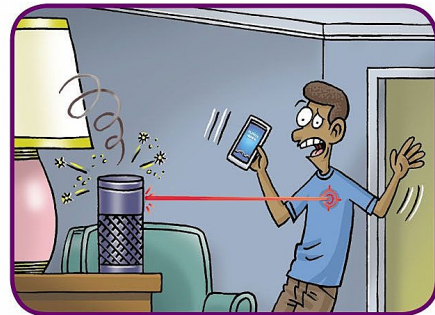


Artist:  
Bob Staake

## NEW WAYS TO DIE: 2017 EDITION



Tweet-induced  
nuclear war



Caught using Siri by an  
insanely jealous Alexa



Multitasking Uber driver was  
distracted eating GrubHub with  
his Tinder date on Facebook Live



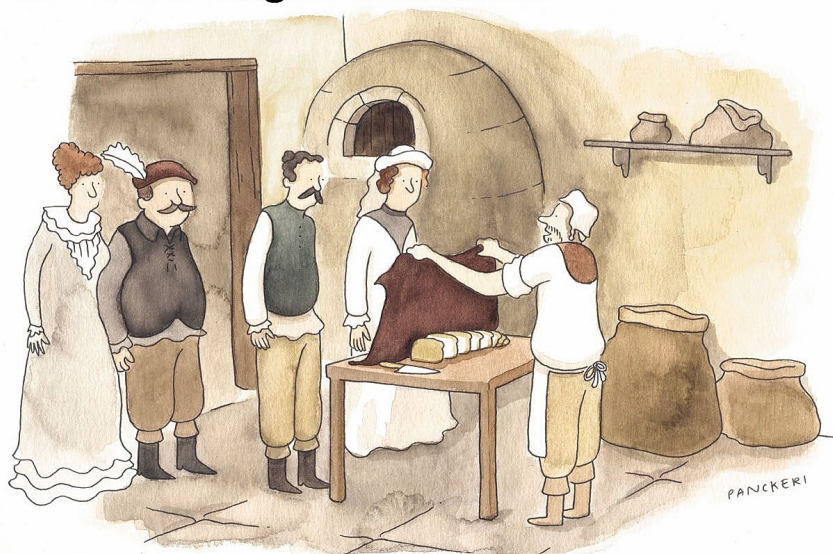
DIY dental procedure  
complications caused by  
inaccurate YouTube tutorial



Samsung phone, Samsung washing machine  
and SodaStream all exploding simultaneously

Writer: Kenny Keil  
Artist:  
John Kerschbaum

## A Bit of Hanky-Panckeri



"Prepare yourselves for the greatest thing since bread."

Writer and Artist: Drew Panckeri

# THE TRUMPALINI

## TRUMP'S NEW MUSICAL

TWO FOOLS IN LOVE  
WITH DANCING AROUND THE TRUTH

KELLYANNE CONWAY

DONALD TRUMP

# BLAH BLAH LAND



## Signs That the "Golden Shower" Report is False



Artist:  
Sam Sisco

Trump says that it didn't happen, and he *always* tells the truth

His campaign slogan was "Make America Great Again,"  
not "Make America #1 Again"

Everyone knows that his real fetish is s#!tting on the Constitution

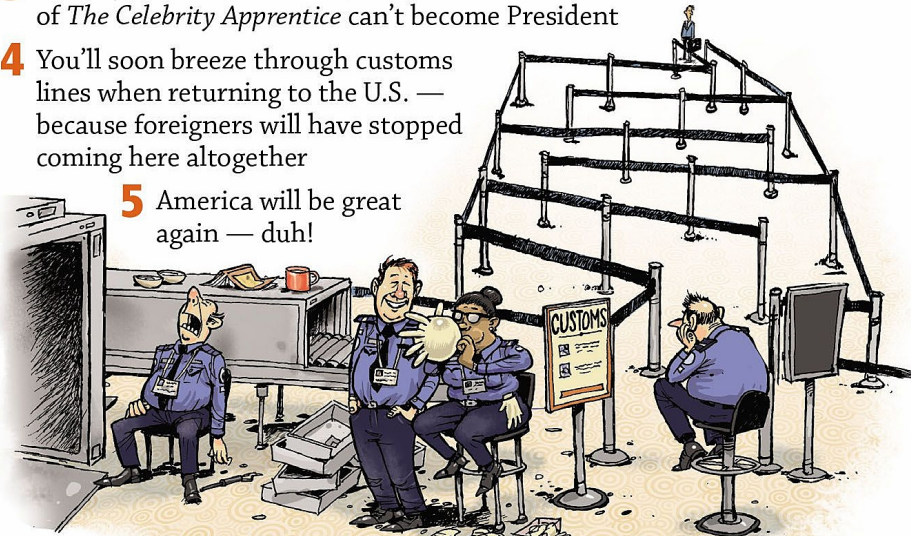
Experts agree: for something like this, you get a  
much bigger bang for your buck in Thailand

He's more of a Rusty Trombone sort of guy

## The Fast Five

## SILVER LININGS OF TRUMP'S PRESIDENCY

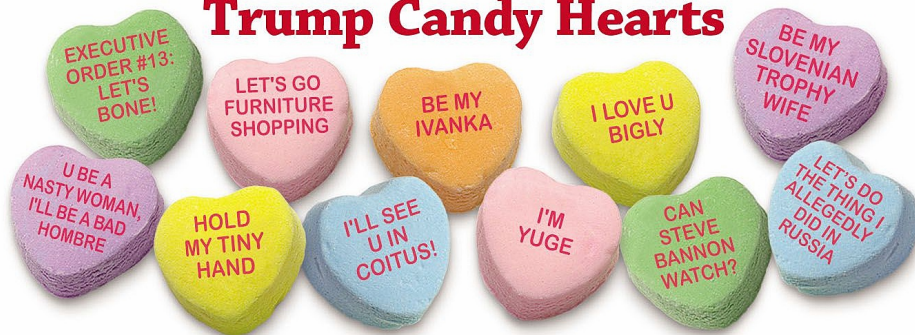
- 1 Anyone who's tired of our national anthem will enjoy the new one, "Государственный гимн Российской Федерации"
- 2 America will never have another election that's so divisive and vitriolic, because America will never *have* another election
- 3 History won't repeat itself, because the second host of *The Celebrity Apprentice* can't become President
- 4 You'll soon breeze through customs lines when returning to the U.S. — because foreigners will have stopped coming here altogether
- 5 America will be great again — duh!



Writer: Aabye-Gayle D. Francis-Favilla

Artist: Rich Powell

## Trump Candy Hearts



## A TRAVEL BAN WE'D LIKE TO SEE



## MAD REDESIGNS THE NORDSTROM LOGO

# NORDSTRUMP



## The Startling Similarities and Differences Between THE BEAST FROM BEAUTY AND THE BEAST AND DONALD TRUMP



BEAST TRUMP

- His short temper and erratic behavior tend to alienate others..... ☒ ☒
- Though physically hideous, he possesses a kind heart and a good soul..... ☒ ☐
- His massive head is matted with an unruly tangle of fur..... ☒ ☒
- His only friends are members of his staff, who live in perpetual fear of him..... ☒ ☒
- He is on a quest for one true love to last a lifetime..... ☒ ☐
- Underneath his anger, he is just a scared little boy who yearns to be human again..... ☒ ☒
- He is deeply ashamed of his despicable behavior..... ☒ ☐
- His very existence inspires angry mobs to take to the streets..... ☒ ☒

Writer: Christian Alsis Artist: Alejandro Rivas

## How Melania Trump Plans To Fight Online Bullying



Keeping her husband away from his phone as much as possible

Being a figurehead and letting Mike Pence's wife handle the whole thing

Dressing in a bikini, pouting, begging for civility

Teaming up with Amazon for a sting operation promoting "Free Shipping for Cyberbullies" — then nabbing anyone who tries to order

Asking Russian hackers to find out who the bullies are and letting Putin take it from there

Writer: Jeff Kruse Artist: Stephen Silver

## A PROTEST POSTER WE'D LIKE TO SEE

# WE THE UNQUALIFIED



## PURCHASE CABINET POSITIONS

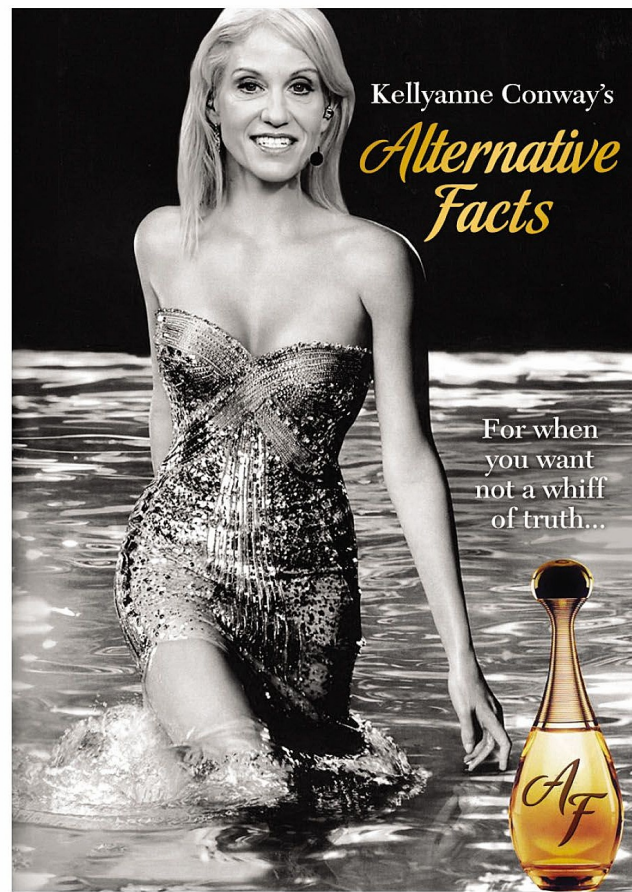
## The Faster Five REVELATIONS FROM TRUMP'S VOTER FRAUD INVESTIGATION

- 1 Despite the fact that Illinois is Hillary Clinton's birthplace, clearly-biased Illinois voters did not recuse themselves during the election
- 2 Apparently, the country is still using the ridiculously antiquated "Electoral College" system, under which a candidate who loses by millions of votes can still win the election
- 3 There's also something really screwed up with the voting for the NBA All-Star Game when Russell Westbrook isn't even starting
- 4 Millions of California residents cast ballots despite being born in other states
- 5 In several Oregon precincts, gag write-in votes for Stewie Griffin were illegally changed to gag write-in votes for Spongebob

Writer: Jeff Kruse  
Artist: Jose Garibaldi



## Kellyanne's New Perfume



## TALE OF THE TAPE: STREEP VS. TRUMP

### TONIGHT!

### "THE TUSSLE IN TINSELTOWN"

#### TALE OF THE TAPE

**MERYL**  
"THE ACTIN' ASSASSIN"  
**STREEP**

VS.

**DONALD**  
"KID LOUDMOUTH"  
**TRUMP**



MERYL STREEP  
June 22, 1949  
Summit, NJ

1	ELOQUENT POLITICAL SPEECHES GIVEN	0
YES	HAS SUPPORTED HILLARY IN THE PAST	YES
0	RANTS DIRECTED AT CRITICS	1,427,844
YES	PREPARES TIRELESSLY FOR LEAD ROLES	NO
1	MOVIES APPEARED IN WITH A CULKIN	1
YES	WAS IN THE MANCHURIAN CANDIDATE	NO
NO	WAS A MANCHURIAN CANDIDATE	YES

DONALD TRUMP  
June 14, 1946  
Queens, NY



## FUN FACTS ABOUT THE U.S./MEXICO BORDER WALL



Because of a budget shortfall, it will only be two feet tall

While Mexico won't pay for any of it, China has agreed to loan us the money to build it

They're shooting to complete it on Cinco de Mayo for that extra symbolic touch

The DEA estimates that a wall will prevent nearly all illegal drugs from coming across the border — except for the 99% which will now be flown across

A section of the wall will be rerouted in order to knock down a Nordstrom in Phoenix

Writer: Jeff Kruse  
Artist: Kevin Pope



The most basic symbol of any country is its flag. Whether flying majestically against a cobalt-blue sky or tattooed above the ass cracks of its skankiest citizens, a flag tells you everything you need to know about that nation's traditions and character. But sometimes, there's more than meets the eye! Don't believe us, you vexillological xenophobe? (Yeah, that's right — we went there.) Stand at attention as we helpfully decode...

# WORLD FLAGS HIDDEN MESSAGES IN

WRITER: DESMOND DEVLIN

CANADA



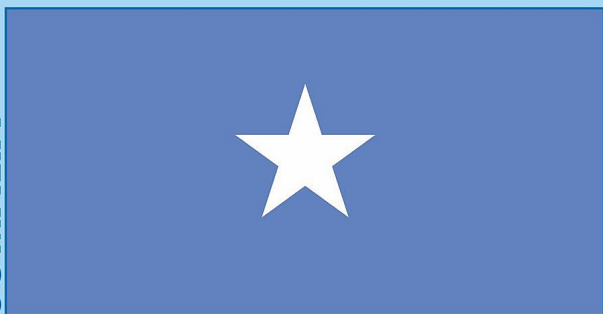
Living in Canada is as interesting as watching leaves grow.

UKRAINE



It's just the craziest coincidence: Vladimir Putin's two favorite colors are blue and yellow!

SOMALIA



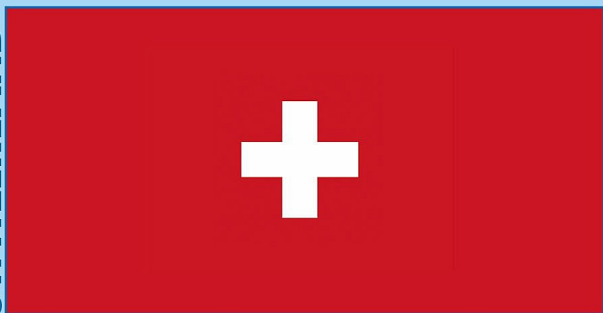
This drought-prone war zone gets just one star on TripAdvisor.

CHINA



Of the 4,548 stars visible to the naked eye, only five can still be seen through China's soupy, polluted skies.

SWITZERLAND



Swiss bankers will happily launder Nazi money, PLUS drug cartel money, PLUS terrorist money, PLUS corporate tax evasion money, PLUS...

KIRIBATI



After another decade of relentless global warming, this tiny Pacific island nation will only have one remaining citizen who can keep his head above water.

NORTH KOREA



North Koreans are taught that red and blue rectangles, white circles and red stars were invented in 2007 by the Most Glorious Shining Leader, Kim Jong-un.

BURKINA FASO



You might think that the red represents the Burkina, and the green represents the Faso. Wrong, stupid! It's the other way around!



In their most recent attempt to milk the *Star Wars* cash cow of every last drop of blue milk, the folks at Disney came up with an idea: do a different kind of *Star Wars* movie! No opening crawl! No John Williams soundtrack! No Jedi! (No frickin' Jedi?!?!?) So yeah, they made a different kind of movie, but also a SUPER-DEPRESSING ONE! It's still a long time ago in a galaxy far, far away, but hoo-boy, this is a...

# ROUGH

Here's what we're gonna do: the three of us are going to **sneak** into the heavily-guarded Imperial base, somehow locate a secret data vault without using a **map**, contrive a way to **break** into it without an entire **regiment** of guards noticing, then miraculously find the **one exact set of plans** we need out of thousands of code-named projects!

There's no way that'll work!

There's **more!** Then we have to climb hand-over-hand up a **1,000-foot tower** to beam those plans at the **precise moment** the Rebels open the planet's shield — even though we don't **know** they're coming and they don't **know** that they need to open it!

This is nuts! Even I can see that — and I'm **BLIND!**

Here's the **BEST** part! While we do that, you guys have to take on **multiple battalions** of heavily-armed troops all by yourselves!

It sounds impossible!

No! We can do this! We have **hope!** And rebellions are built on hope!

Yeah? Then I **HOPE** you come up with a new plan — 'cause this one **SUCKS!**



# H O N E

A **STAR BORES** SNORER

WRITER: DAVID RICHARDS

ARTIST: TOM RICHMOND

The Rebel team includes a woman, two Asians — one of whom is disabled — a Latino, an African-American and a Muslim! What do you call that?

The most diverse *Star Wars* ever!

And by the end of this saga they're ALL dead! What do you call that?

The earliest, most annoying spoiler in a MAD spoof ever! Thanks a lot, schmuck-o!

Increase forces! Stormtroopers! Death Troopers! Shoretroopers! TIE Strikers! AT-Acts!

Excellent! These new soldiers and vehicles will ensure overwhelming victory!

Forget victory! These new soldiers and vehicles will ensure plenty of exclusive variants for the Comic-Con geeks!

Ugh! I hate when they bring in officers from the Imperial Licensing Corps!

Our mission is extremely important!

Yes, if we don't beam up those plans, we'll never defeat the Empire!

No, if we don't beam up those plans we'll never fill the 40-year-old plot hole about how the most powerful weapon in galactic history had such a ridiculous design flaw! I mean, an unprotected thermal port? C'mon!

This film is inspired by so many great movies! It's got the action-filled beach invasion of *Saving Private Ryan*!

And the hyper-tense opening interrogation between a fascist and a farmer where the daughter barely escapes with her life of *Inglourious Basterds*!

There's the heist element of *Ocean's Eleven*!

And that whole "motley team comes together" vibe of *Seven Samurai* and *The Avengers*!

There's just one inspiration this movie's missing!

What's that?

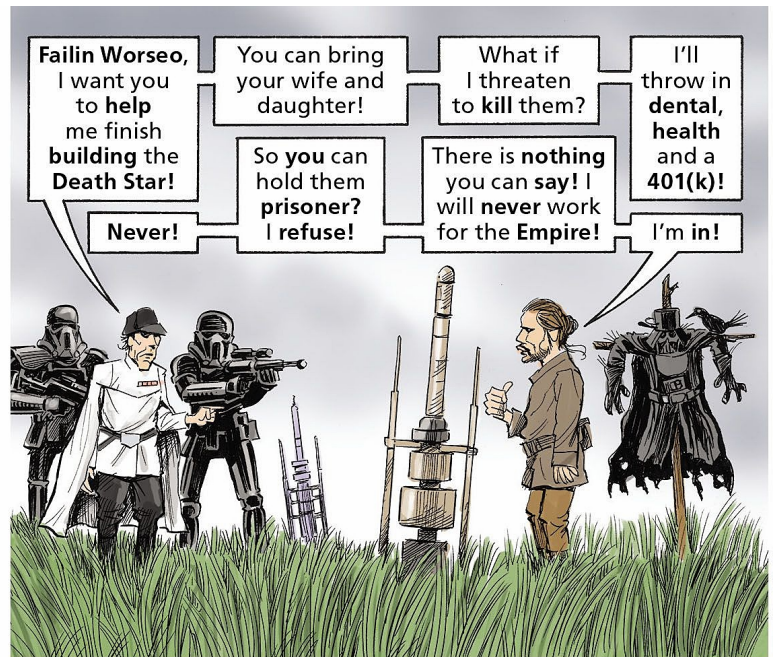
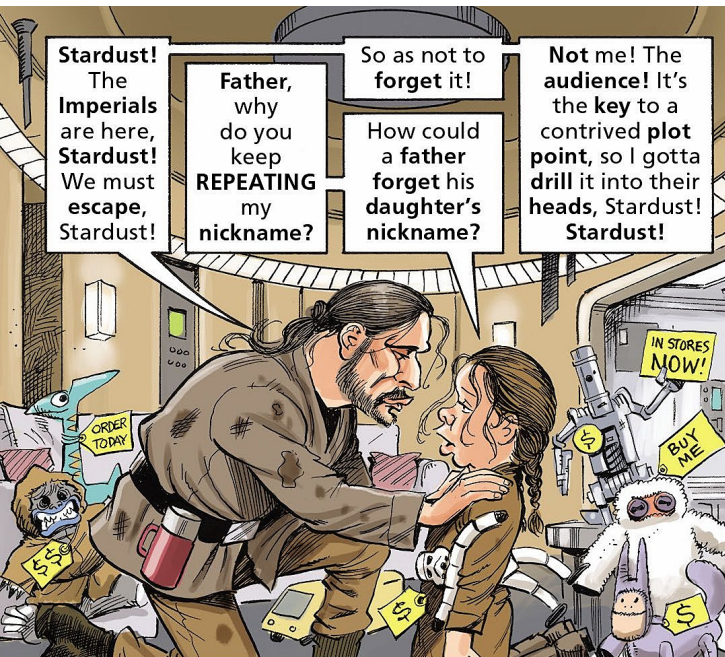
The fun of *Star Wars*!

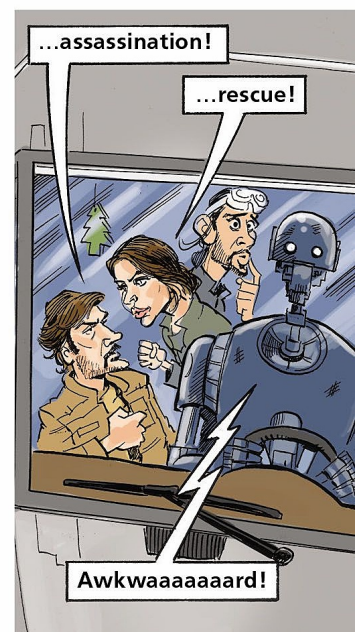
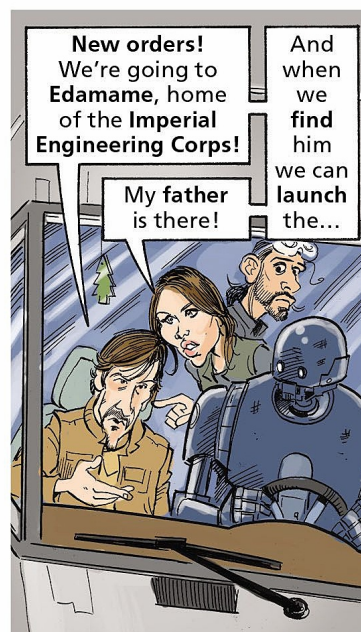
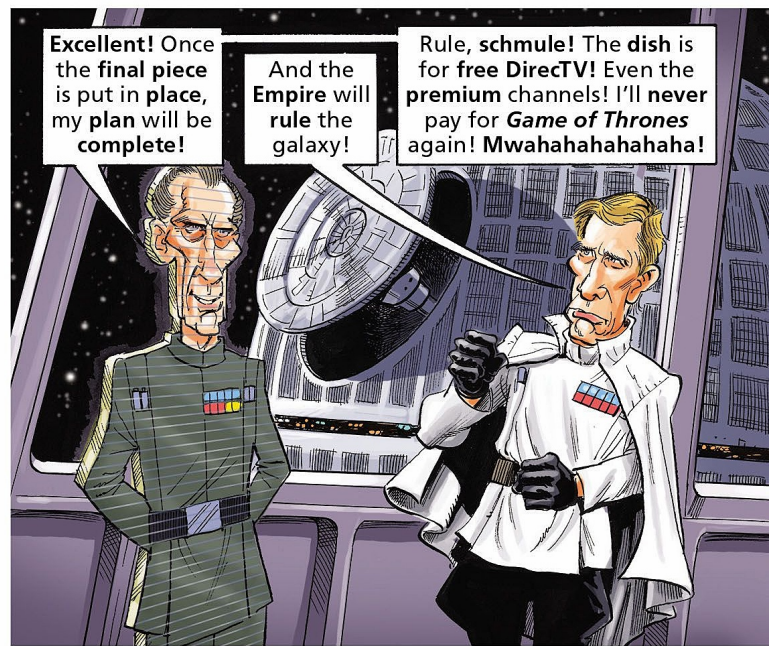
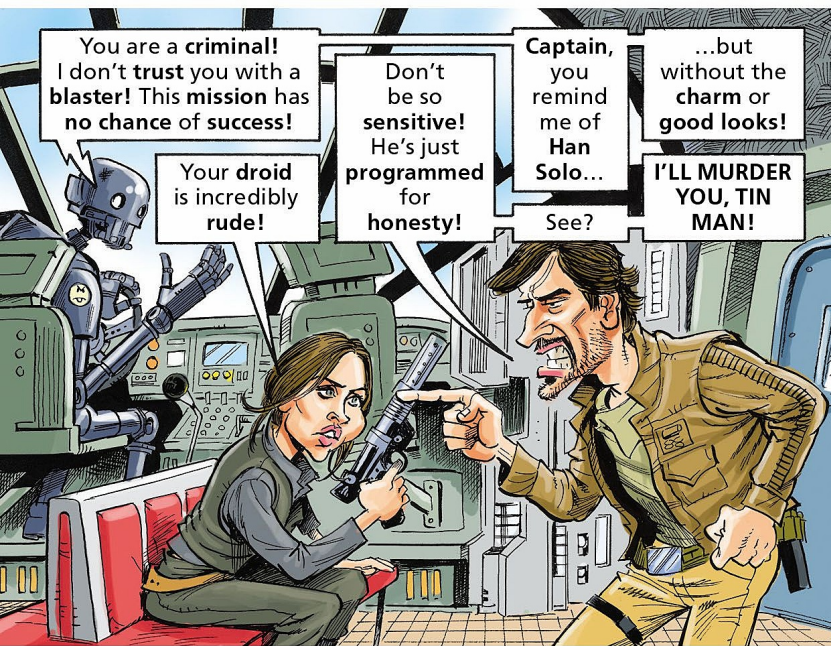
George Lucas?! What are you doing here?

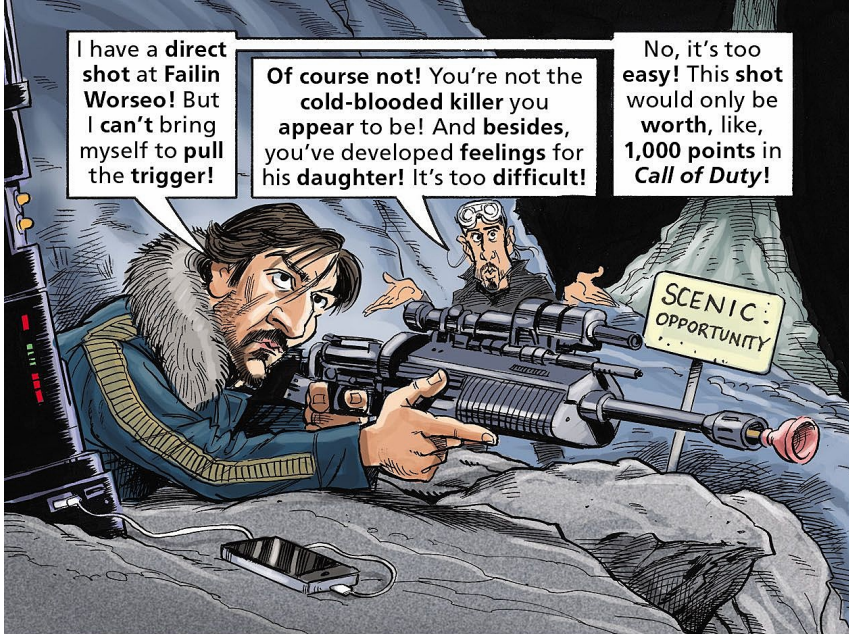
Observing all the death and mayhem! Man, this is bleak!

Then why are you smiling?

Because after this relentless slaughter-fest, no one will ever say that *Episode III* is the most depressing *Star Wars* movie ever!







I have a direct shot at Failin Worseo! But I can't bring myself to pull the trigger!

Of course not! You're not the cold-blooded killer you appear to be! And besides, you've developed feelings for his daughter! It's too difficult!

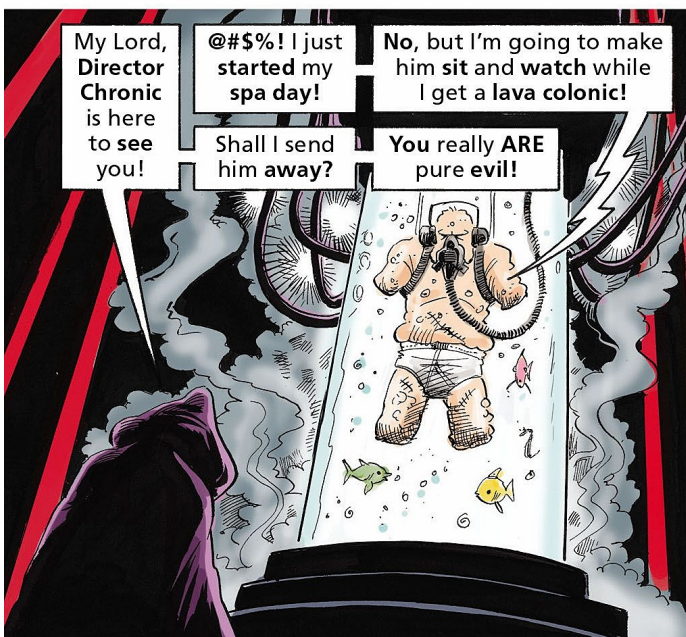
No, it's too easy! This shot would only be worth, like, 1,000 points in *Call of Duty*!



Stardust, I knew you would come find me!

But in doing so I accidentally brought the Rebel bombing raid! And now you're going to die!

I didn't say I was happy about it!



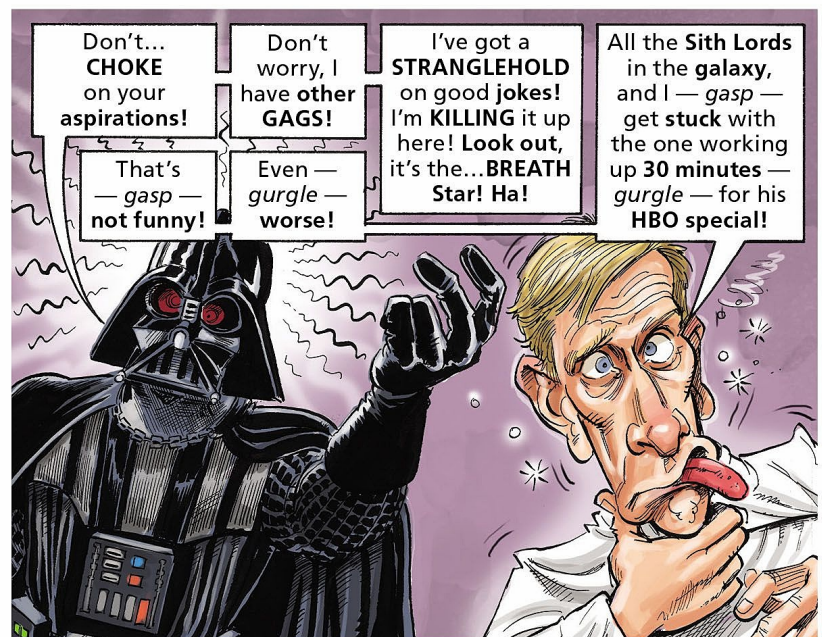
My Lord, Director Chronic is here to see you!

@#%\$! I just started my spa day!

No, but I'm going to make him sit and watch while I get a lava colonic!

Shall I send him away?

You really ARE pure evil!



Don't... **CHOK** on your aspirations!

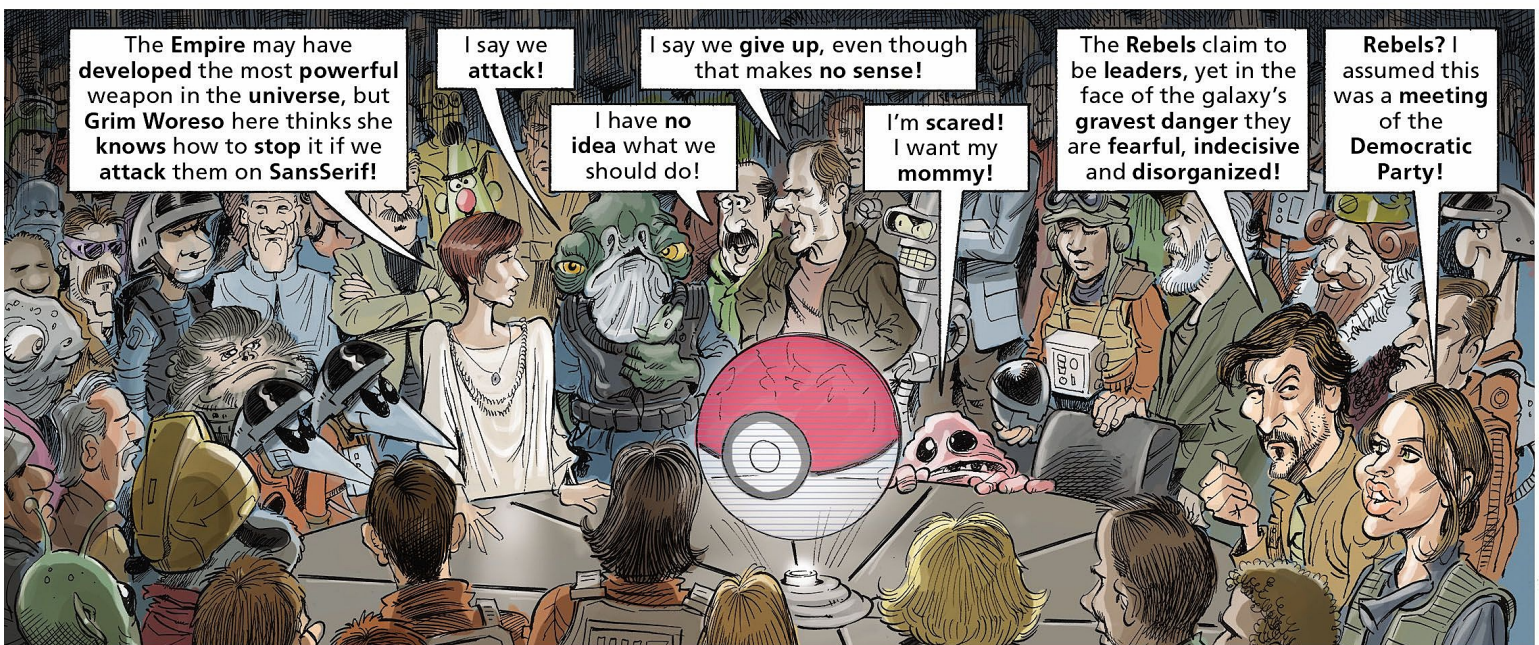
Don't worry, I have other **GAGS**!

I've got a **STRANGLEHOLD** on good jokes! I'm **KILLING** it up here! Look out, it's the...**BREATH Star**! Ha!

All the Sith Lords in the galaxy, and I — *gasp* — get *stuck* with the one working up 30 minutes — *gurgles* — for his HBO special!

That's — *gasp* — not funny!

Even — *gurgles* — worse!



The Empire may have developed the most powerful weapon in the universe, but Grim Woreso here thinks she knows how to stop it if we attack them on SansSerif!

I say we attack!

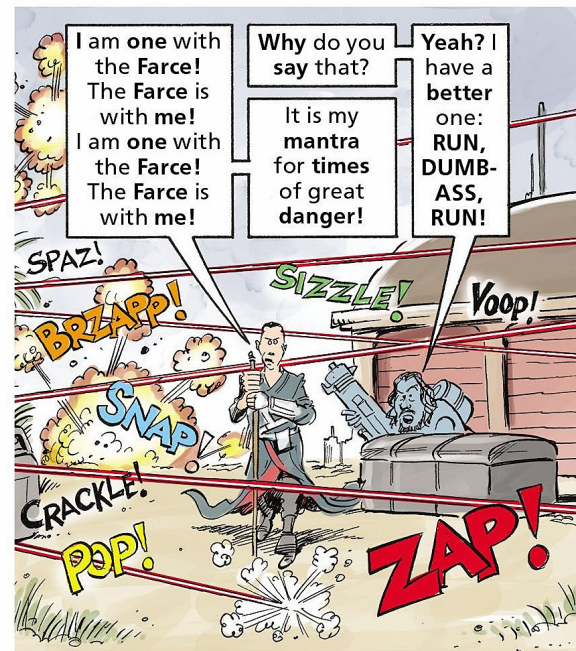
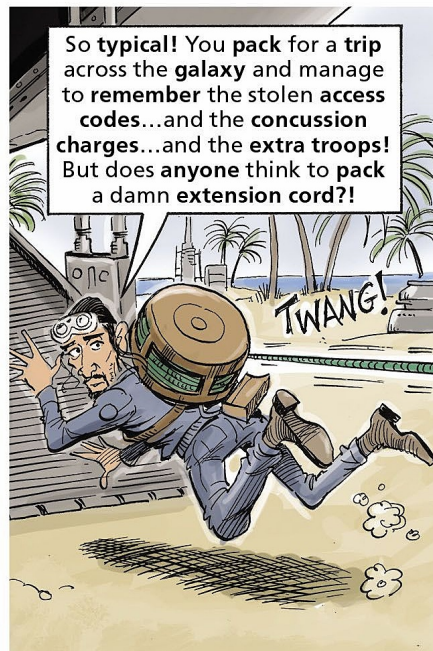
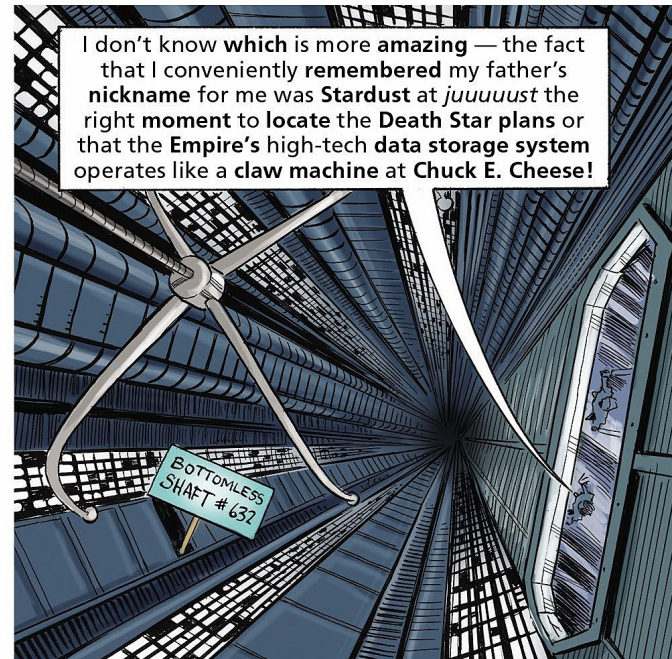
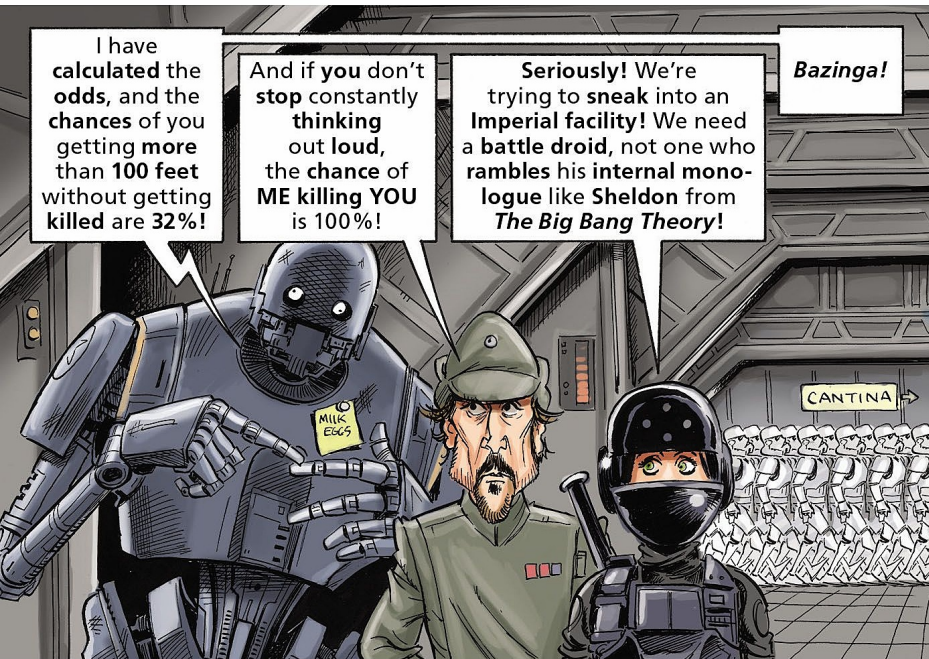
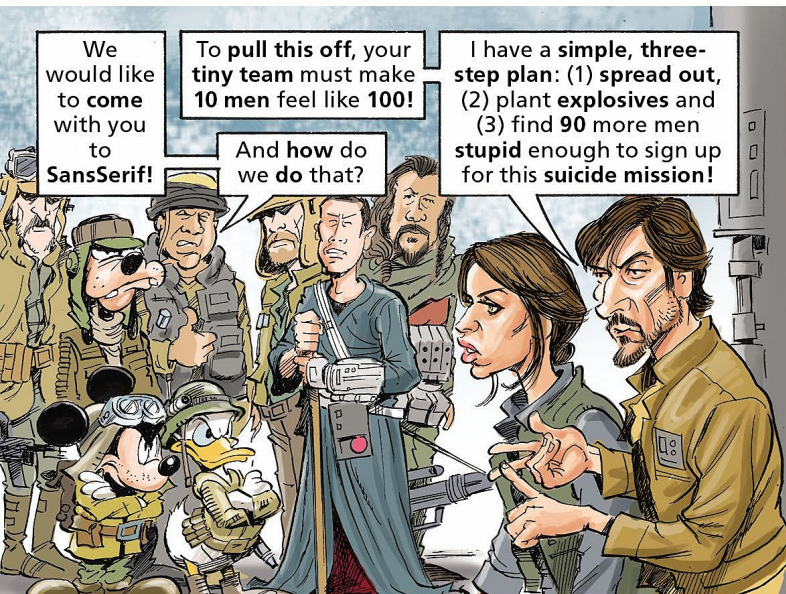
I say we give up, even though that makes no sense!

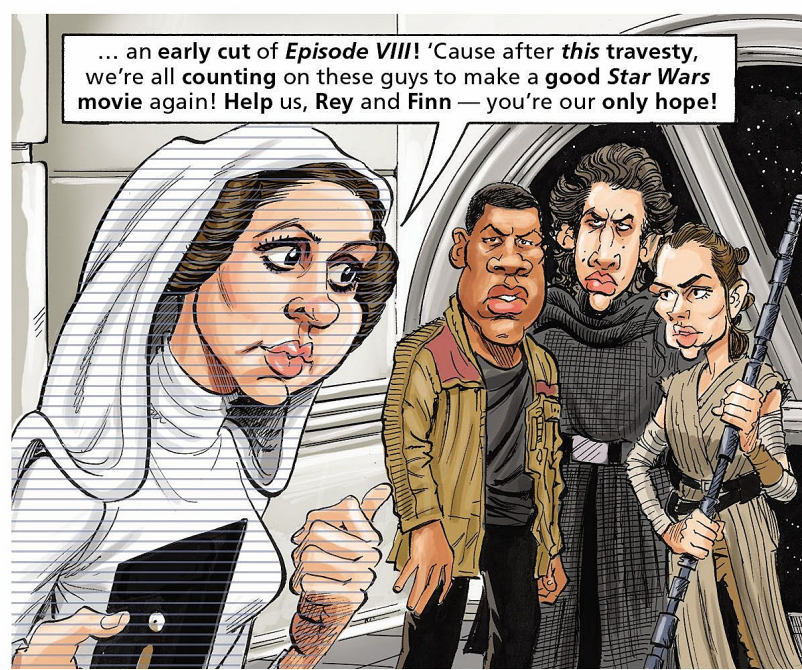
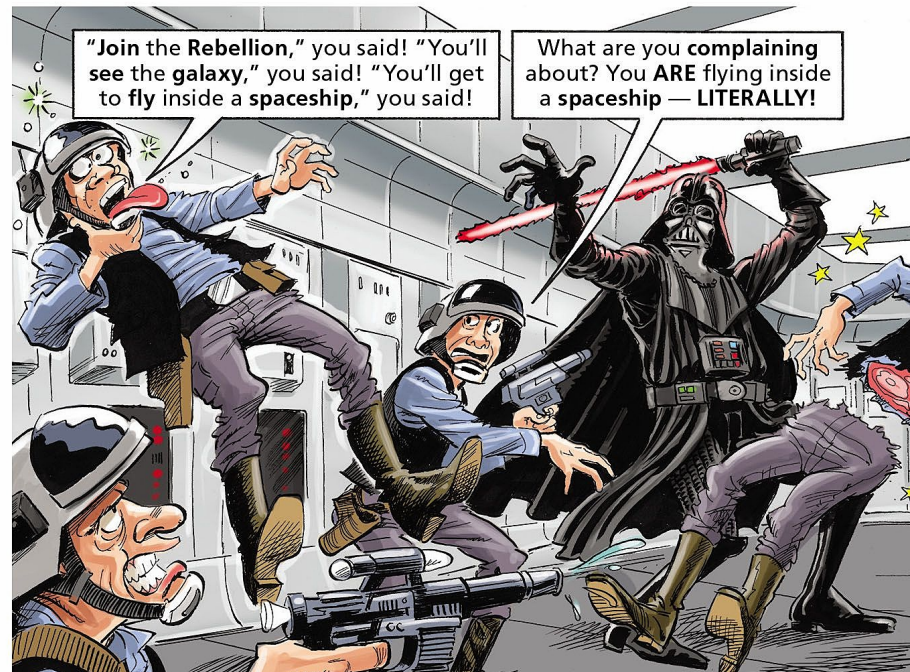
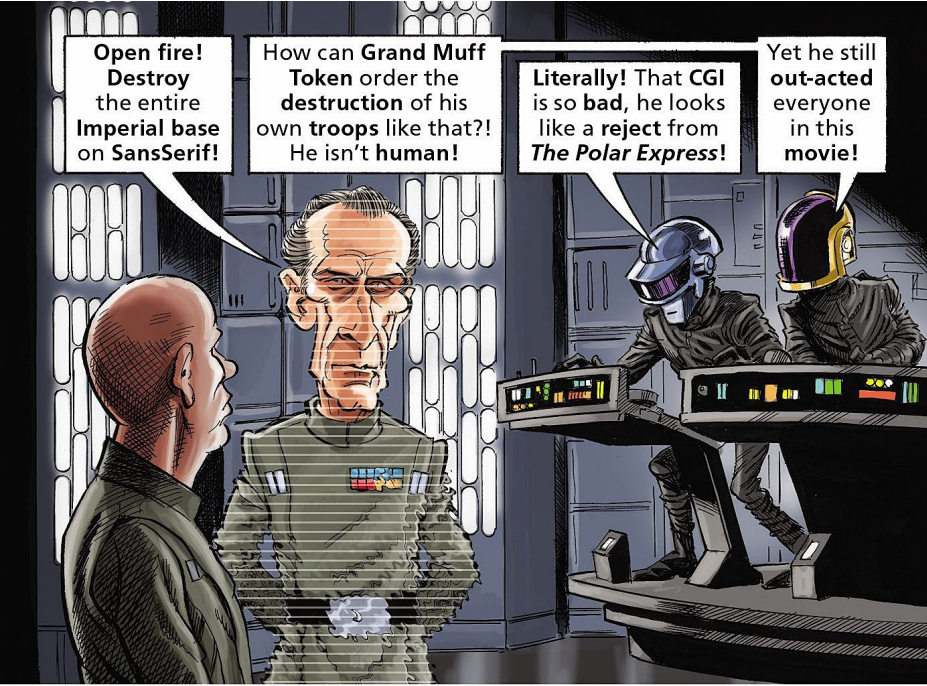
I have no idea what we should do!

I'm scared! I want my mommy!

The Rebels claim to be leaders, yet in the face of the galaxy's gravest danger they are fearful, indecisive and disorganized!

Rebels? I assumed this was a meeting of the Democratic Party!





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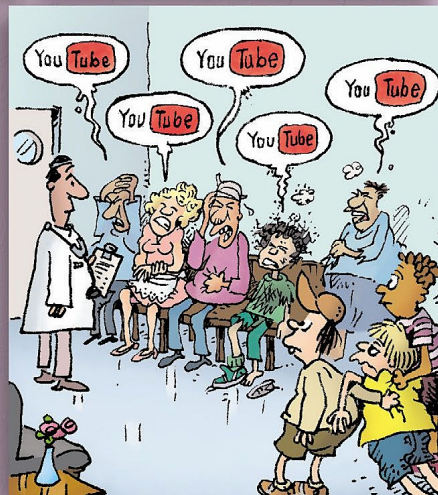
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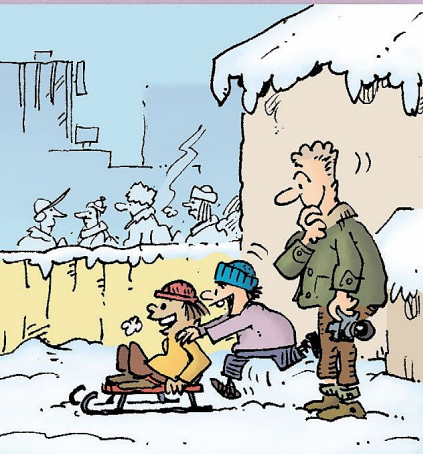
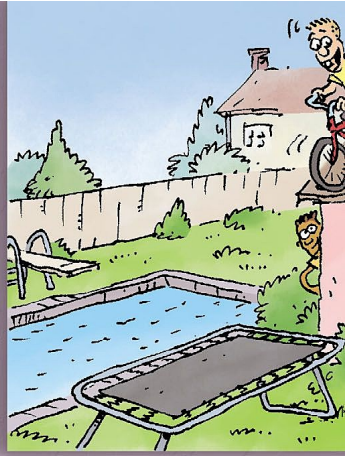
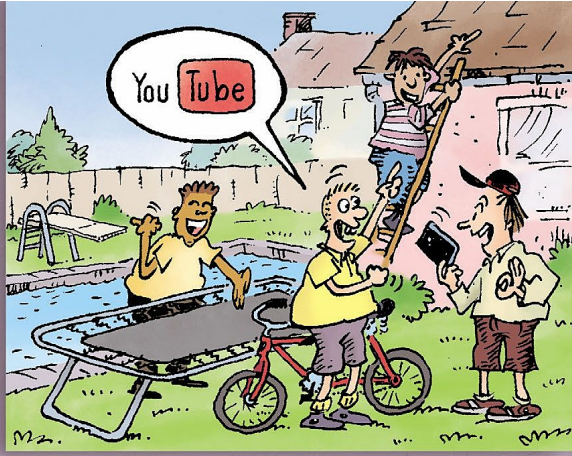
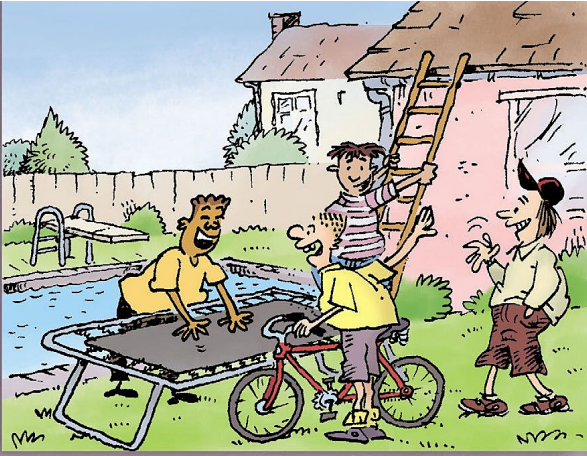
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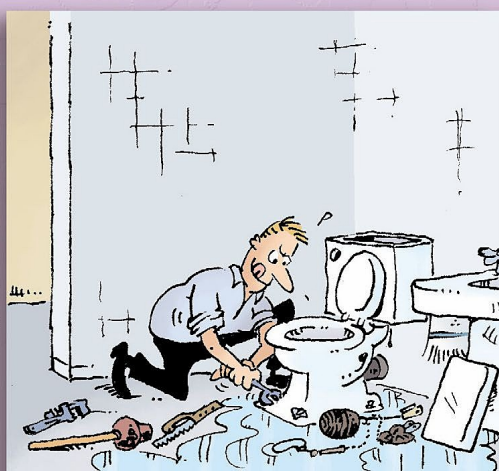
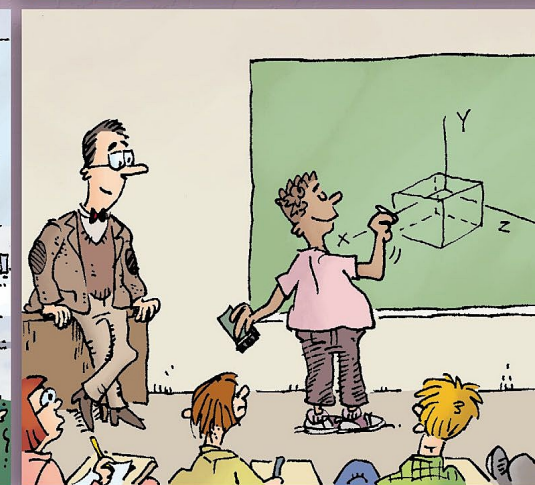
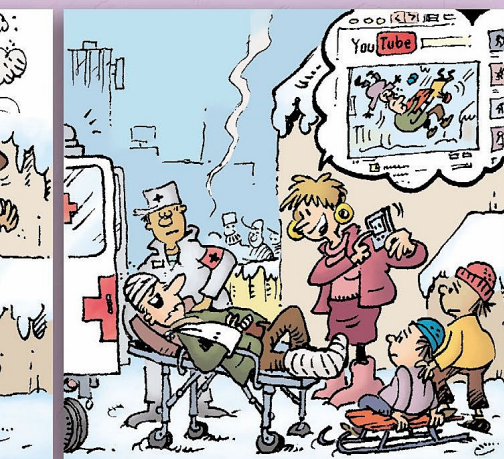
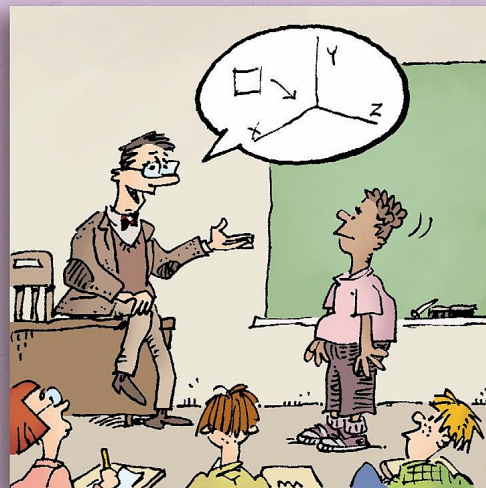
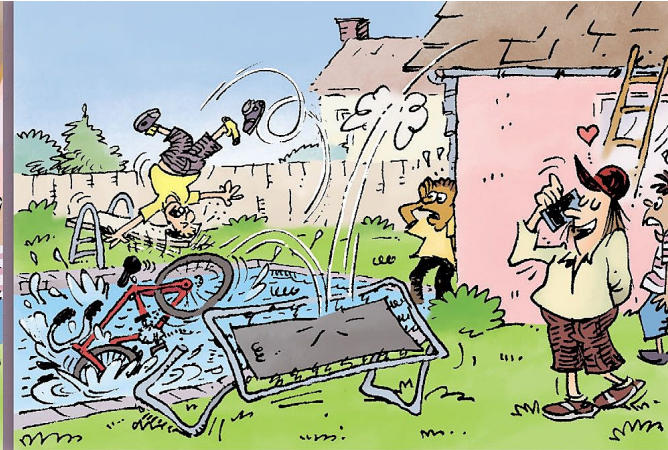
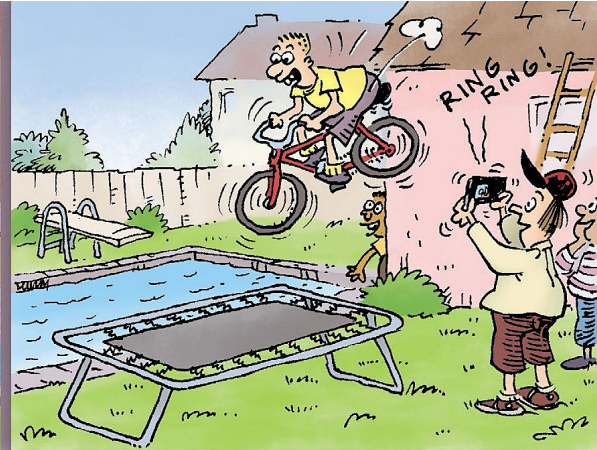
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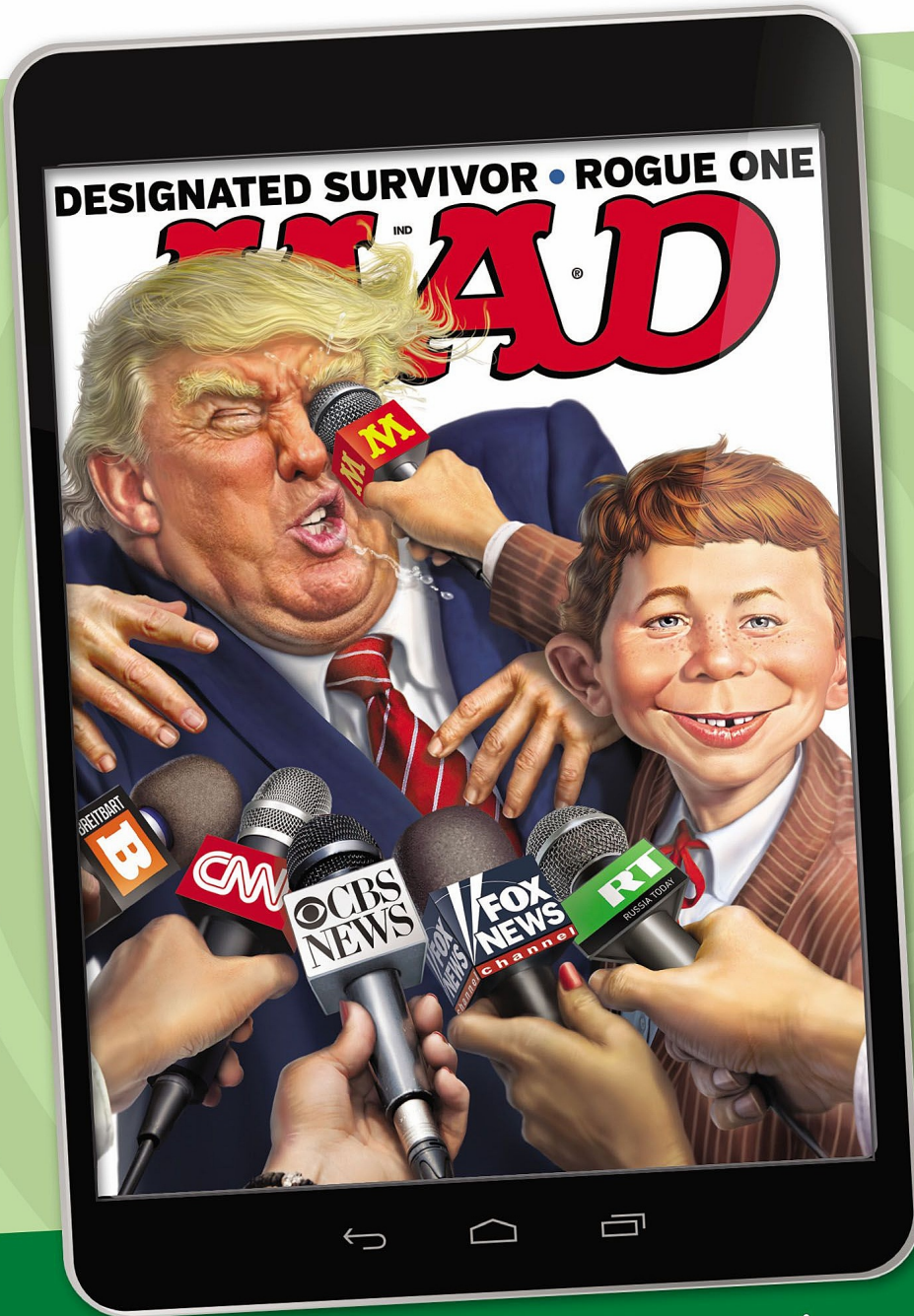






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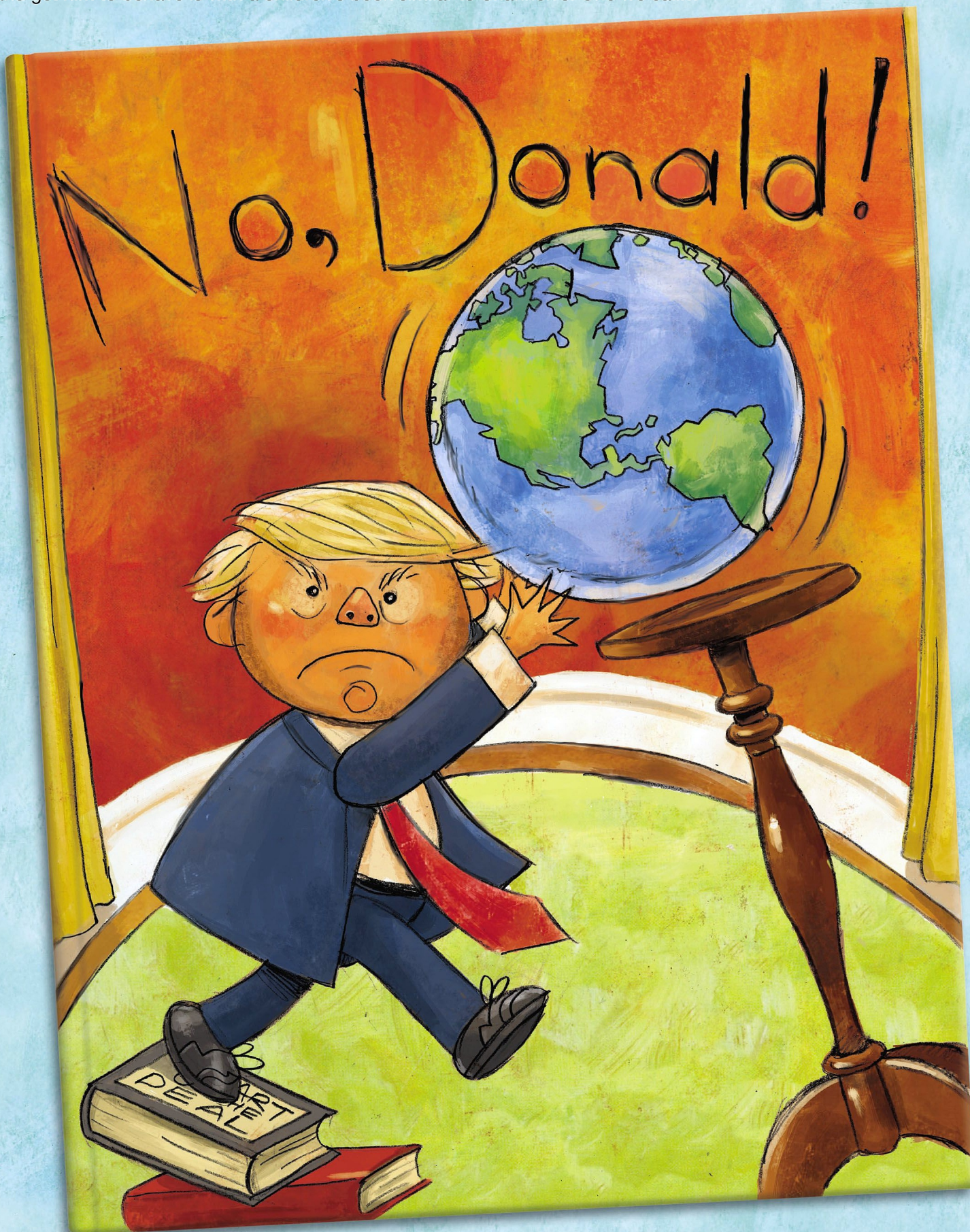
Get psychiatric  
help before you waste  
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not-so-cheap!

**MORE ISSUES WILL BE AVAILABLE  
AS THEY'RE RELEASED!**





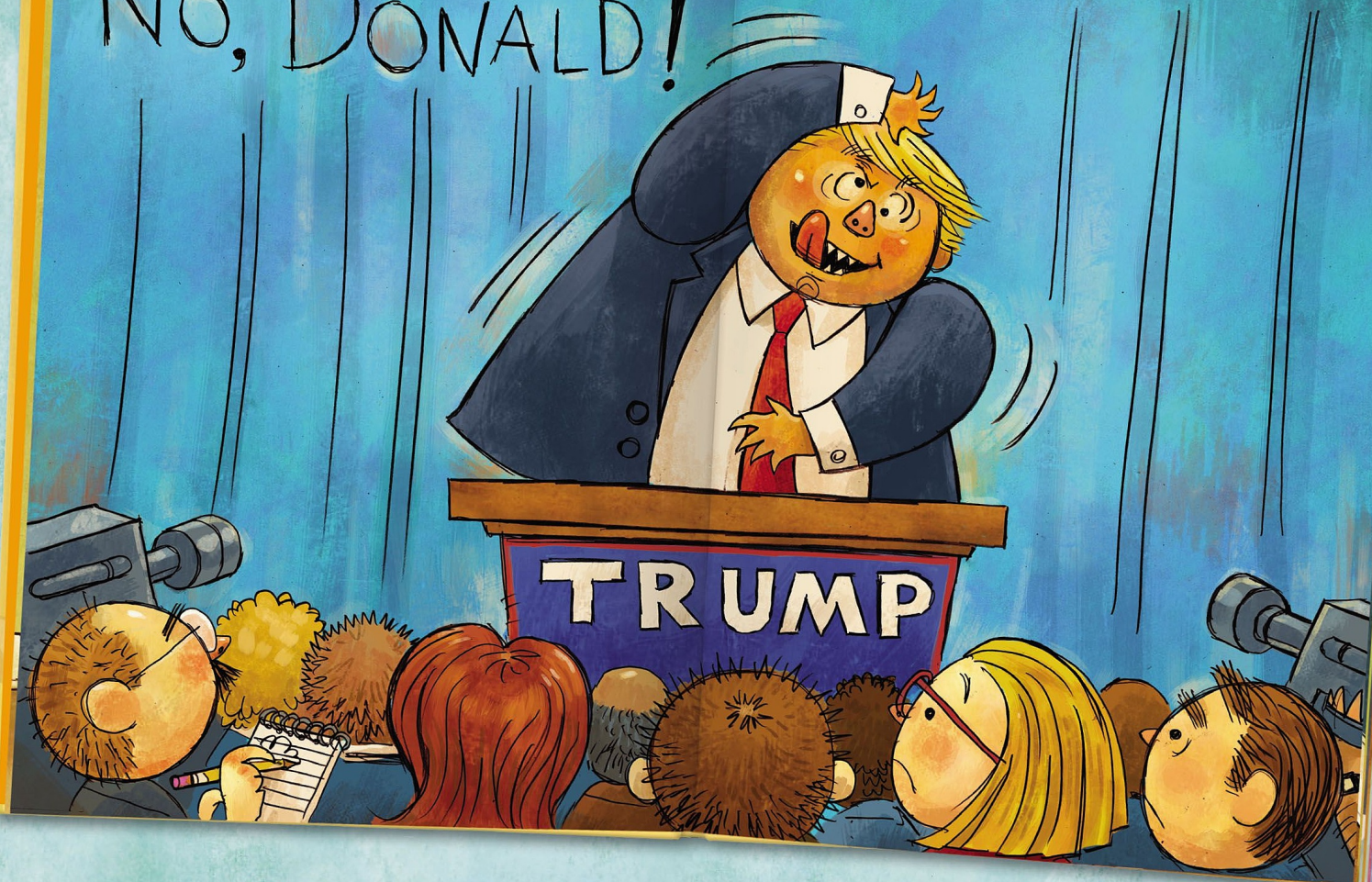
No, *David!*, the classic children's book by David Shannon, recounts the author's childhood schemes, gross behavior and bad manners, all responded to by the adults in the room with an exasperated cry of "No, David!" Since it's clear we now have a spoiled, juvenile, bad-mannered little schemer in the White House, perhaps the only way to reach him and get him to behave is with a children's book similar to Shannon's. One we call...



No, Donald, no!



NO, DONALD!



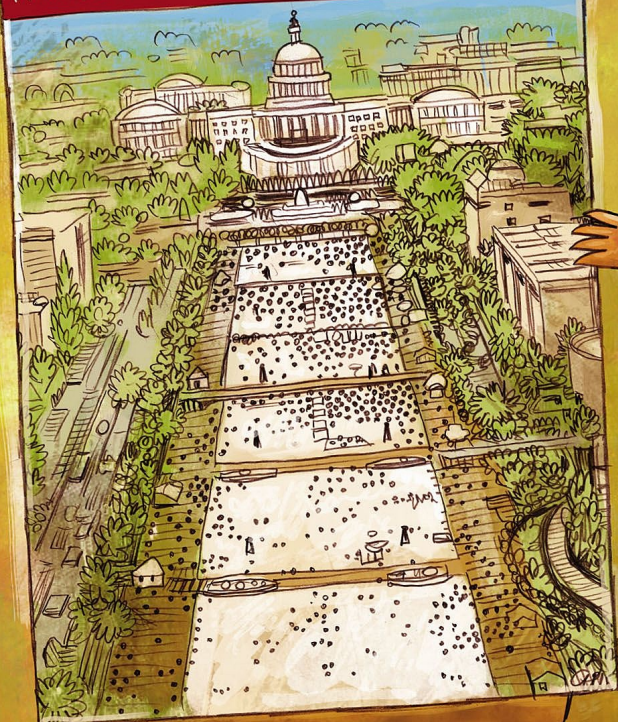


No! No! No!



"THE LARGEST AUDIENCE TO  
WITNESS AN INAUGURATION, PERIOD!"

DONALD!  
BE QUIET!



No, Donald!

No!

No!

No!

No!

No!

and no!

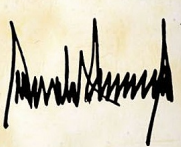
That's enough,

Donald!

Executive Order  
(Muslim) Travel Ban

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, I hereby order the Naturalization and Immigration Service of the United States to cease and desist, from this day forward, any sensible persuance of its rightful duty to allow the lawful and peaceful entry into this country of any nationals from such countries as may be harboring individuals or groups that blah blah blah and yadda yadda yadda.

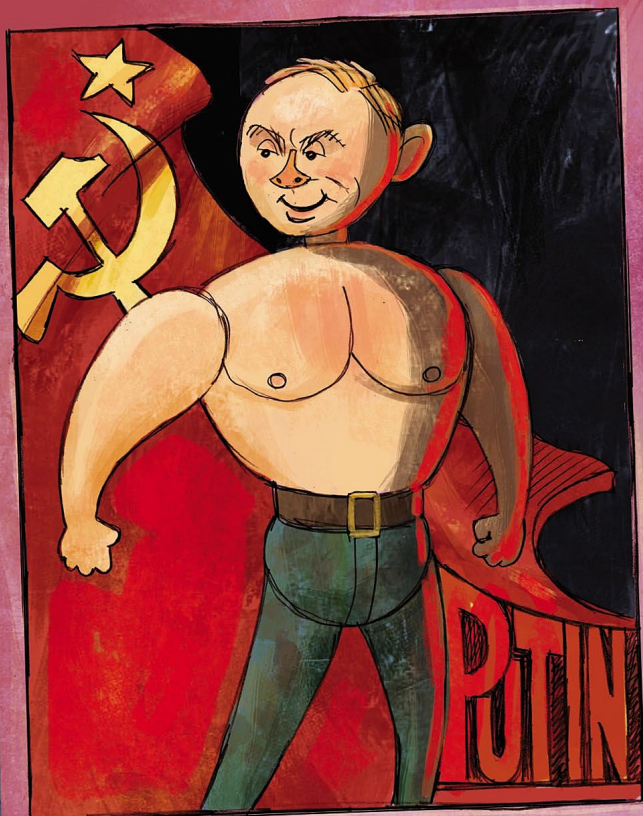
Sworn up and down on a stack of bibles this lovely day in January, the year of Anno Domini 2017, before all assembled here and sundry.



SETTLE



DOWN!



Stop that  
this instant!



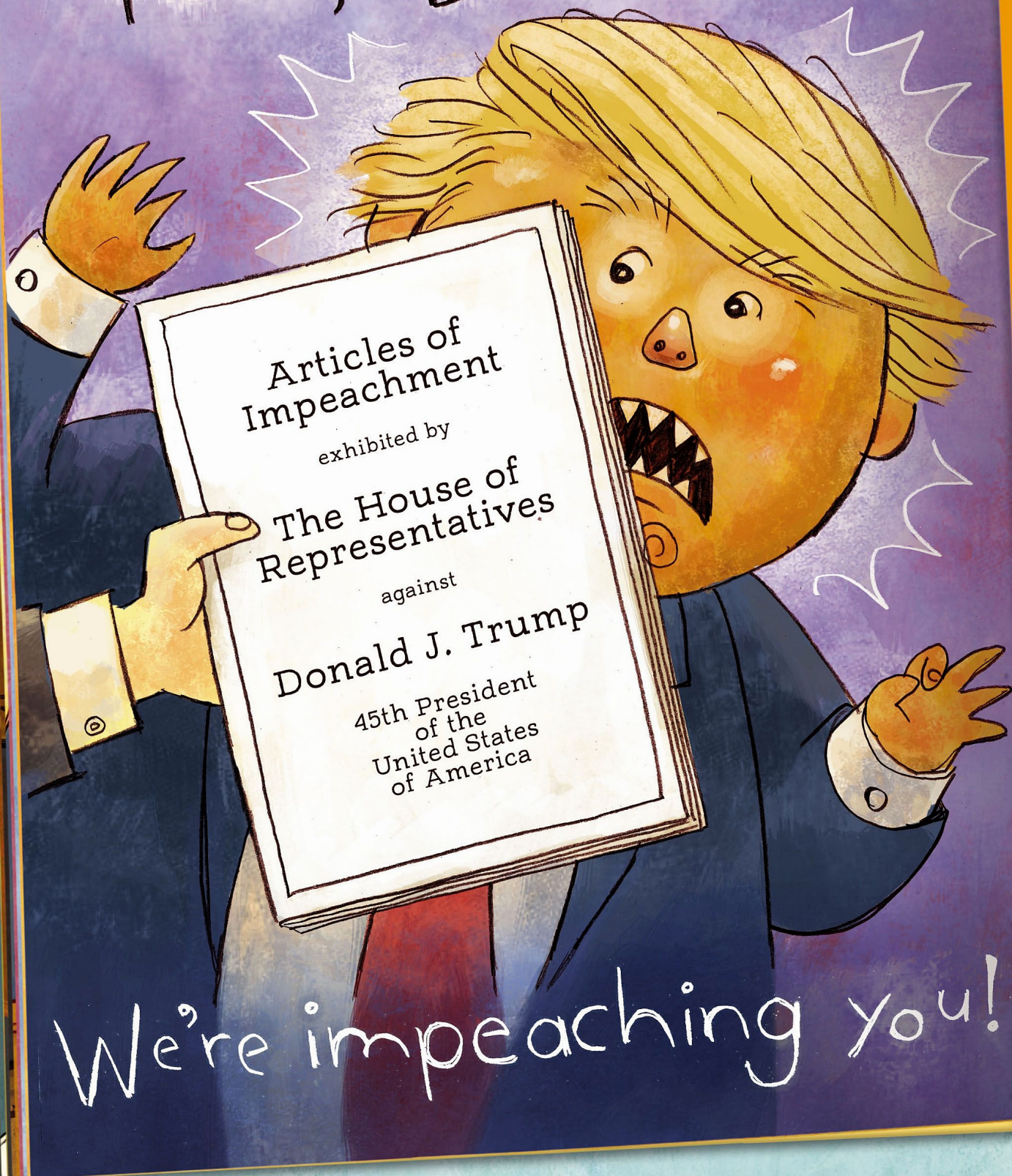
I said  
no,  
Donald!



Donald, come here.



Yes, Donald...



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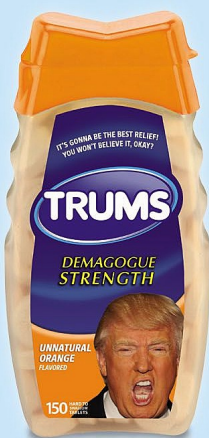
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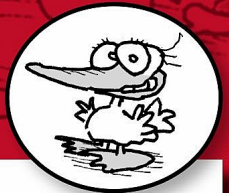
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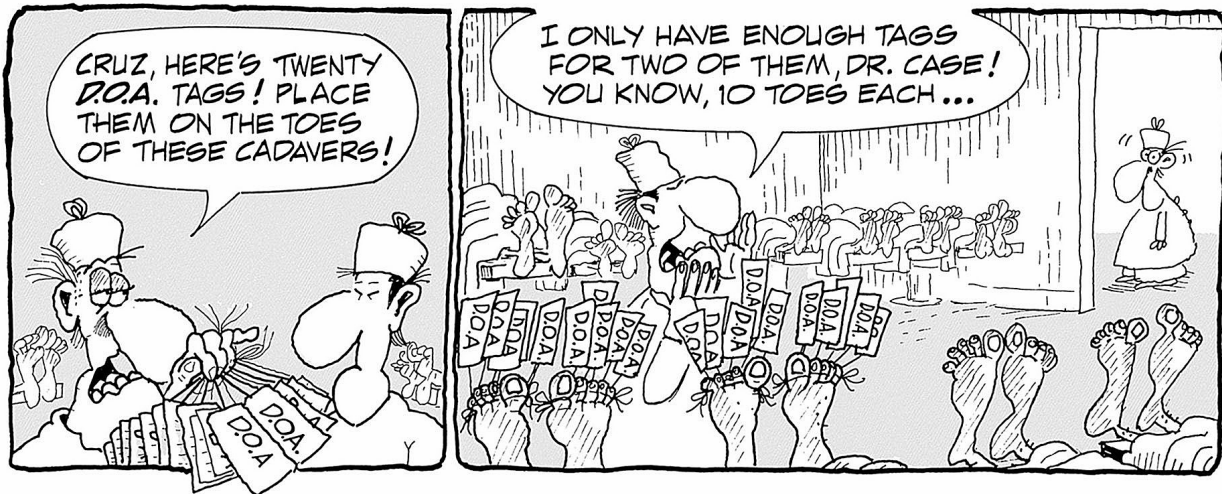
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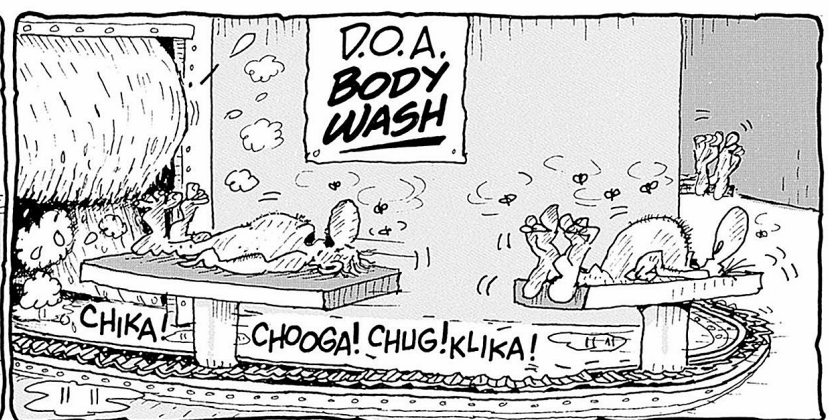
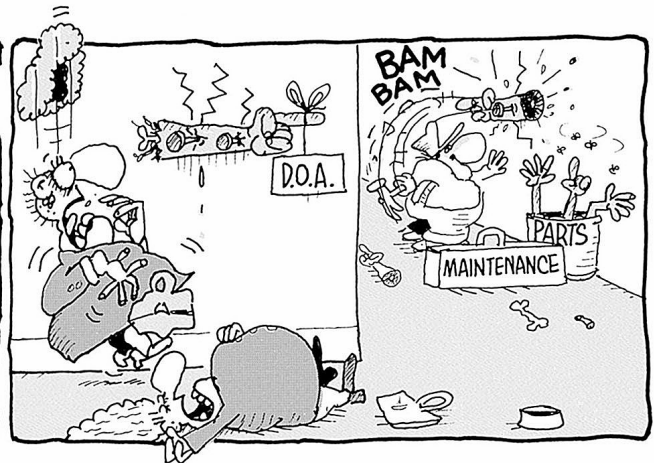
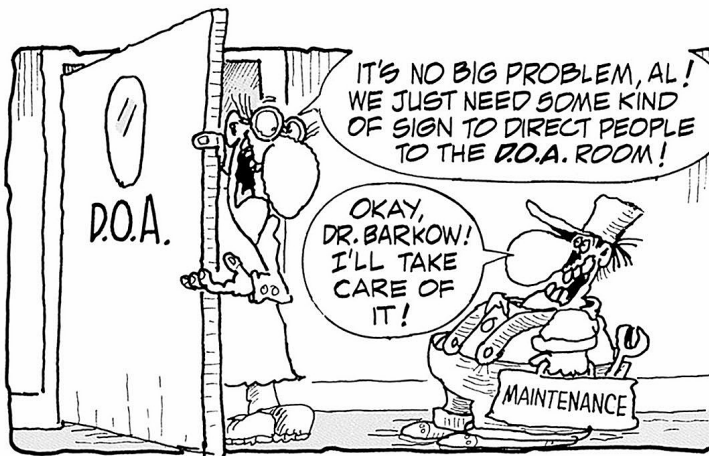
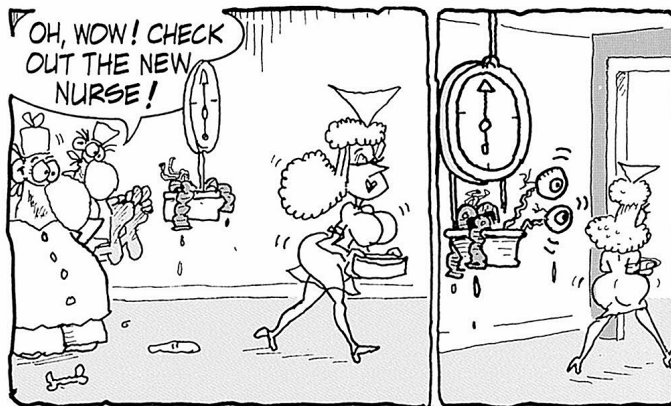
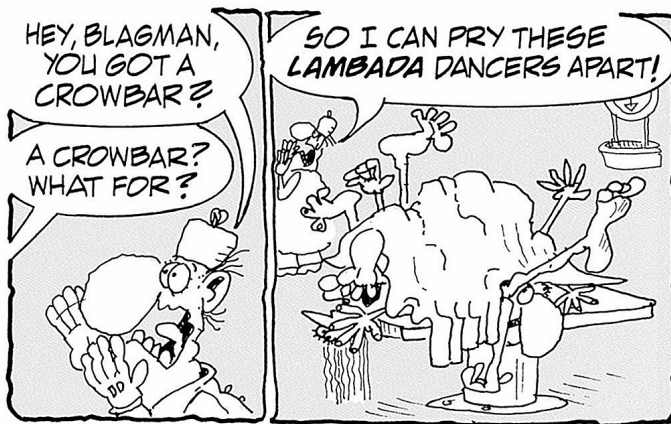
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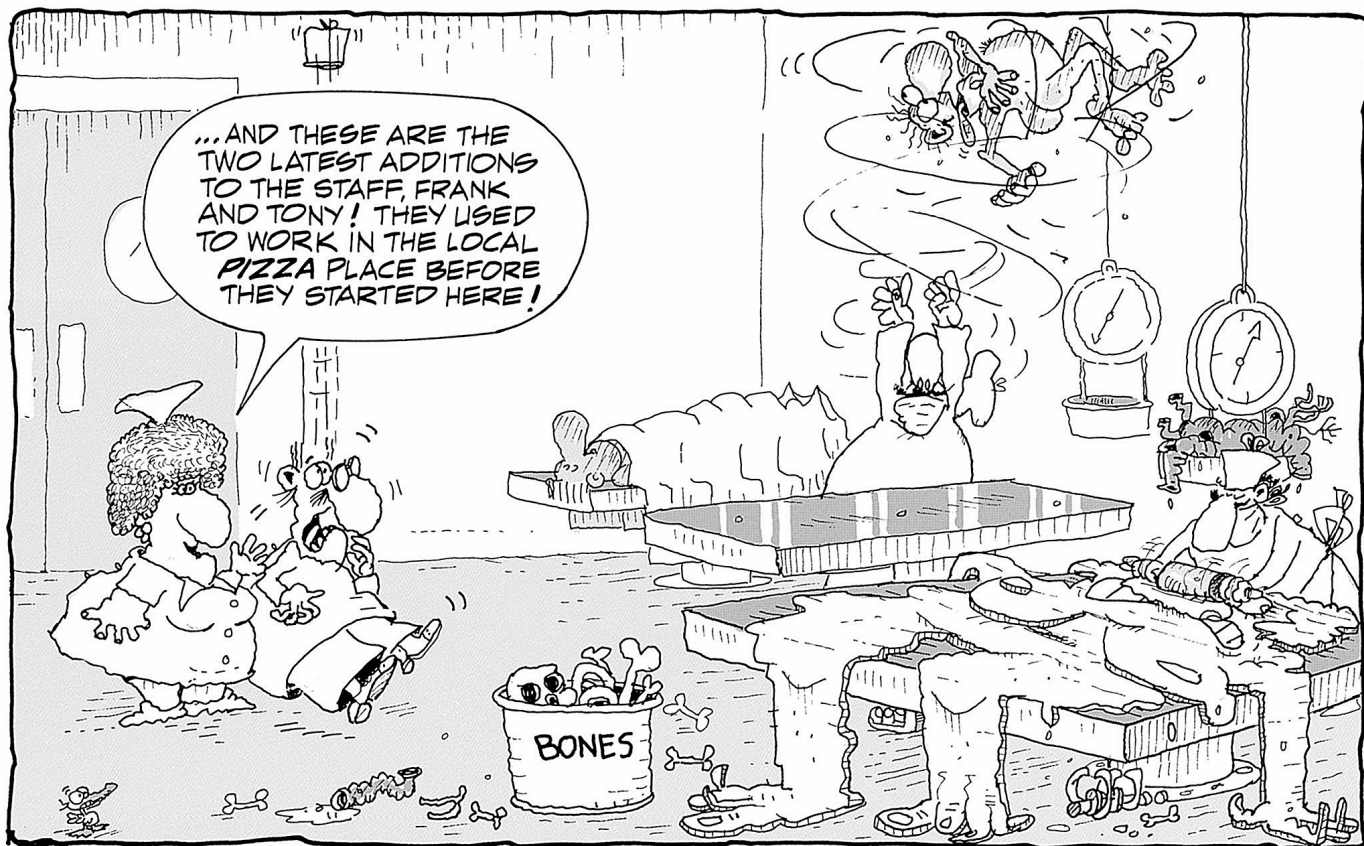
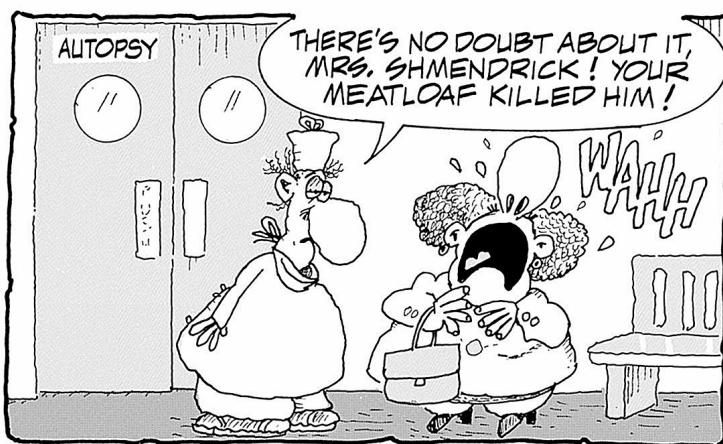
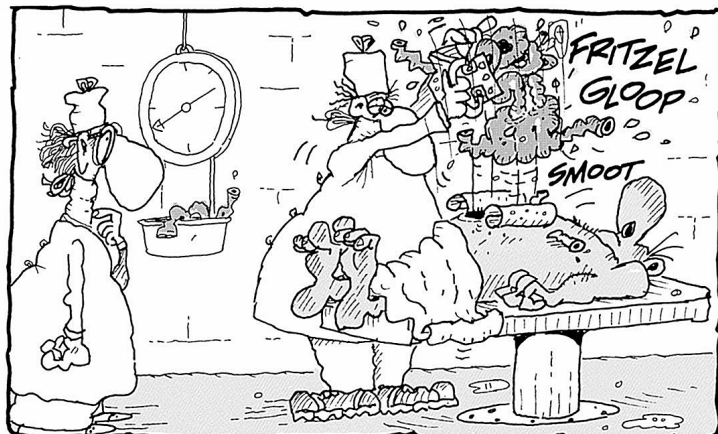
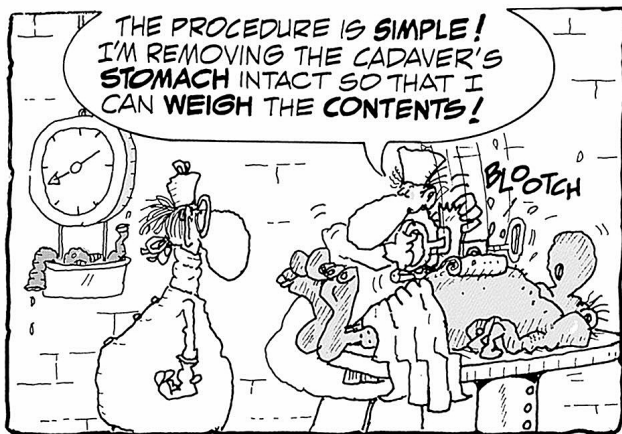
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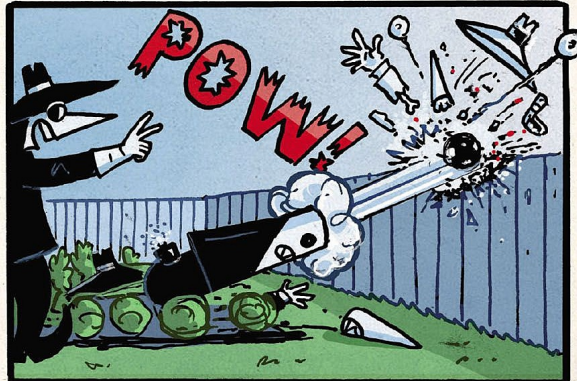
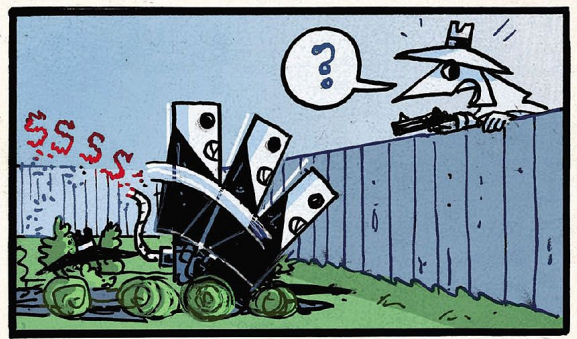
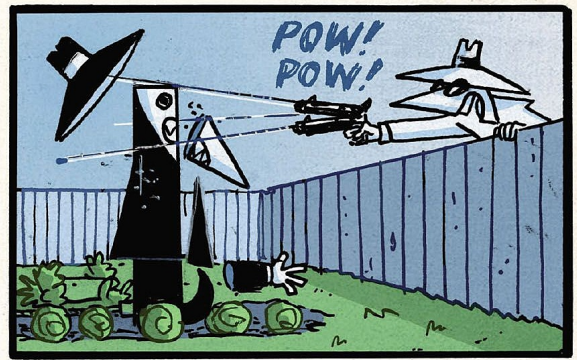
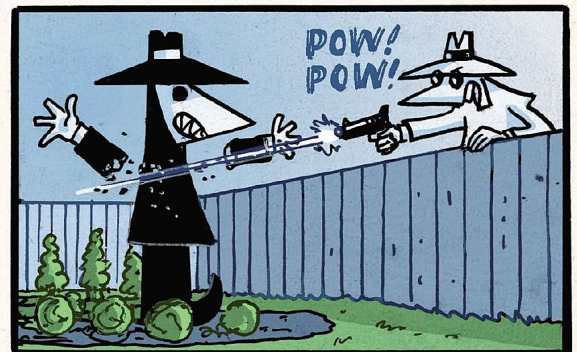
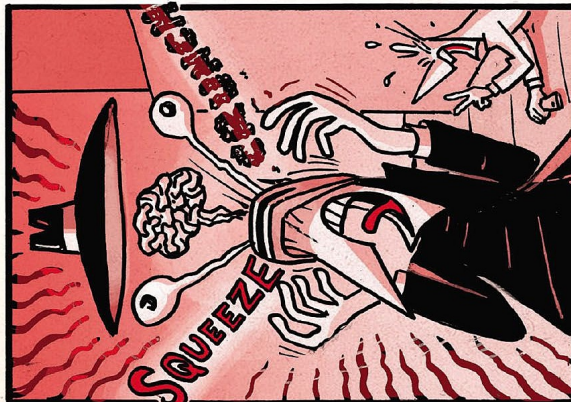








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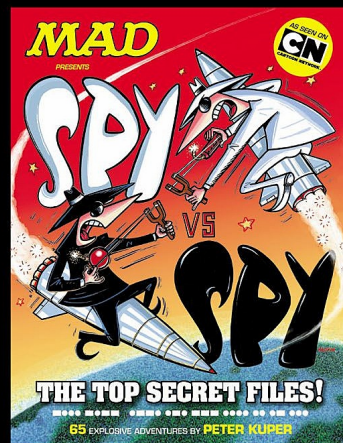
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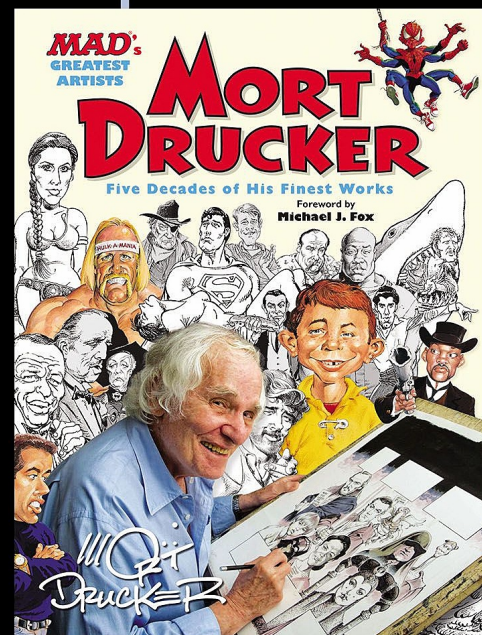
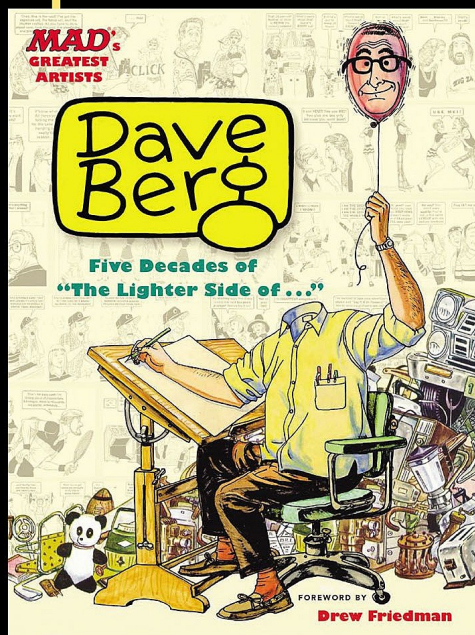
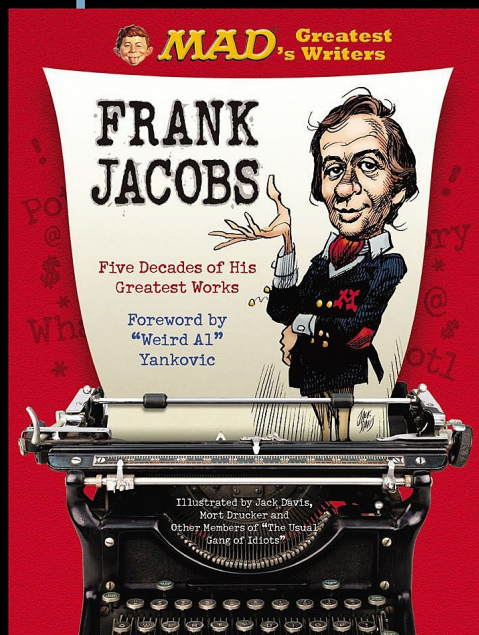


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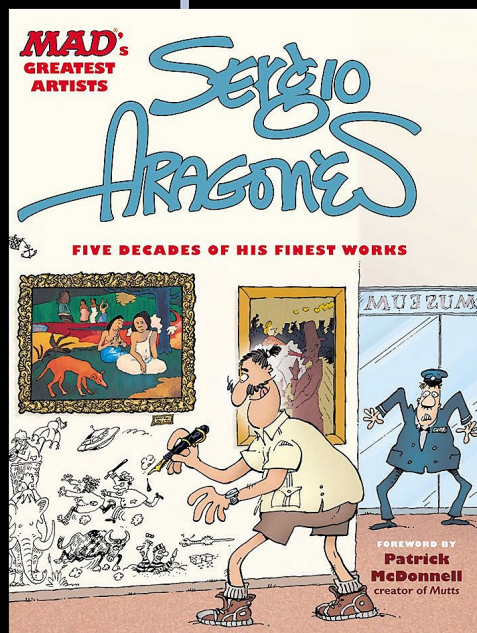
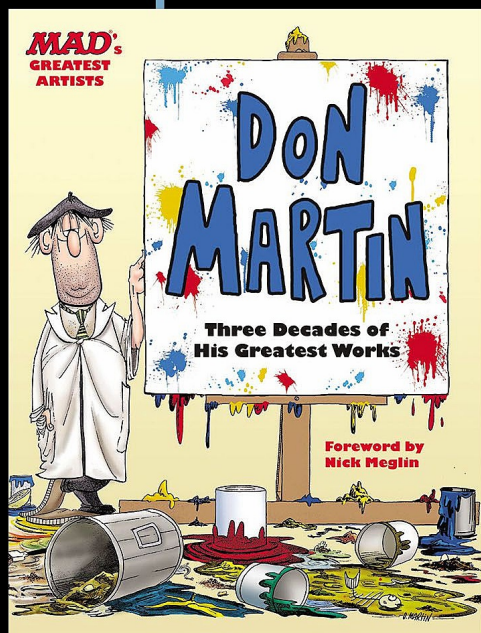
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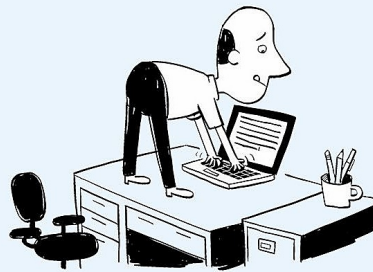
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# MAD'S *QUICK & EASY* OFFICE EXERCISES

## ... STAND AND STRETCH ...



**1** Stand on your office desk and stretch your arms downward towards your computer keyboard.



**2** Type the phrase "The quick brown fox jumped over the moon" 10 times.



**3** If you can't reach the keyboard, try typing with your toes.

## ... QUICK SIDE JUMPS ...



**1** Crouch down, and then leap up as far as possible to your right.



**2** Crouch down again and leap up as far as possible to your left.



**3** Always be sure to do this exercise away from office windows.

## ... LIFT MAKE- SHIFT WEIGHTS ...



**1** Pick up an empty water jug and lift it over your head.



**2** Slowly progress to picking up a full water jug and lifting it over your head.

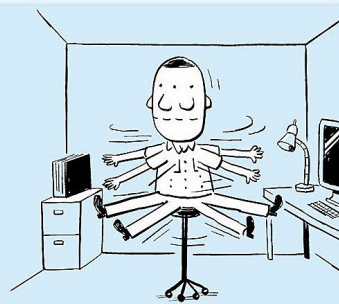


**3** Always be certain the cap on the water jug is tightly secured.

## ... FLYING CORE SPIN ...



**1** Sit in an office chair.



**2** Lift your feet off the floor, outstretch your arms and give yourself a good spin.



**3** This exercise is not recommended for offices with low ceilings.

## ... OFFICE YOGA ...



**1** With your legs crossed, raise your palms towards the sky, relax and breathe slowly.



**2** Start with ten minutes every hour, quickly working up to 30 minutes an hour.



**3** At the end of the month you will find yourself refreshingly unwound and refreshingly unemployed.



# DEWEY DERWIN DESTROYS THE WORLD!

"BAD CHEMISTRY"

Life can be so cruel. One minute, I'm innocently terrorizing the world as omega-level supervillain Dr. Heinous...



The next, I'm being dragged through a time vortex, kicking and screaming like an unruly child across a Walmart parking lot.



And now, here I am, my brilliant mind stranded in my awkward 14-year-old body with no gadgets, no secret lair...



...and a severe time travel hangover.



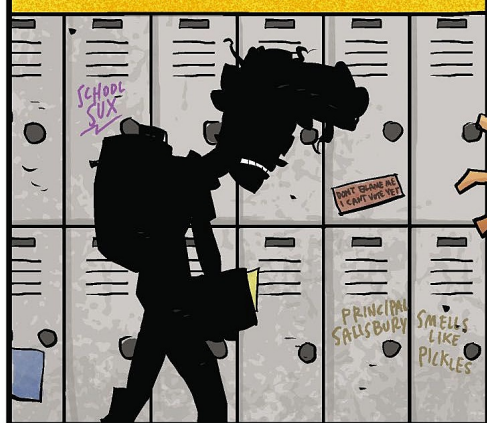
Armed with only my colossal intellect, I find myself trapped in the one place where intellect is of no use...



...high school.

HELLO, STUDENTS!  
THIS IS PRINCIPAL SALISBURY  
WELCOMING YOU ALL TO WHAT'S SURE TO  
BE A CALM, ORDERLY SCHOOL YEAR. PLEASE  
REPORT TO YOUR HOMEROOMS IMMEDIATELY.  
NO DILLY-DALLYING, NO LOLLY-GAGGING, AND IF  
YOU EVEN THINK OF FIDDLE-FADDLING, SO HELP ME...

Were I a lesser evil genius (which, let's face it, is all of the others), such abysmal circumstances would cause my temper to flare up like a hemorrhoid on the butt of a Tour De France biker.



But that's Dr. Heinous' whole modus operandi — a cool head! Well, that and a penchant for throwing my enemies into volcanoes. The point is, I know how not to blow my



WATCH WHERE I'M GOING, YOU DESPICABLE WORM! IF YOU EVER DISRESPECT ME AGAIN, I WILL GRIND YOUR BONES INTO A FINE POWDER, FEED IT TO YOUR DOG, TIE YOUR DOG TO A DRONE AND FLY THAT INTO THE SUN! THEN I'LL —



ER...HEH. WHAT I MEANT TO SAY WAS, UH...IT'S ALL GUCCI, FAM. WHATEVS. I AM PERFECTLY CHILLAXED, TBH...100 EMOJI.

That's it, Dewey Derwin. Just stay cool. Blend in.

As if these birdbrained, knuckle-dragging, mouth-breathing twerps could ever fathom the truth — that the obscenely powerful, opulently wealthy, and ornately mustachioed Dr. Heinous walks among them!

But no. Escaping this dreadful realm will require secrecy, patience, and meticulous planning...

GOOD MORNING, CLASS! MY NAME IS MR. BALSABOOD. I'LL BE FILLING IN FOR MR. HENDERSON, WHO — DUE TO A RECENT **LEGAL QUANDARY** — WON'T BE RETURNING TO SCHOOL THIS YEAR. OR WITHIN 100 YARDS OF **ANY** SCHOOL, **EVER**.

AS FOR MYSELF, I HAVE A **SPOTLESS** CRIMINAL RECORD, AN ONLINE DEGREE IN **CLARINET THEORY** AND **NO** PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE TEACHING — OR EVEN **TAKING** — GENERAL CHEMISTRY. BUT WITH **THAT** BEING **SAID**, I THINK WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A **LOT** OF FUN LEARNING ABOUT THIS STUFF **TOGETHER!**

...assuming I don't die of boredom first.

NOW, WHY DON'T WE KICK THINGS OFF WITH A **FUN** LITTLE SCIENCE EXPERIMENT I LEARNED ON **YOUTUBE** LAST NIGHT. DO I HAVE ANY VOLUNTEERS?

OOH! ME! MEMEME MEMEMEMEMEME MEMEMEMEME MEMEME

Juniper Chives. She's even bubblier than I remember. At least she'll keep the teacher busy while I —

LET'S SEE HERE... HOW ABOUT... **DERWIN?** DEWEY DERWIN?

LUCKY.

WHAT? **NO!**

What? **No!**

NOW, DON'T BE **NERVOUS**, DEWEY. IF YOU MESS UP, THAT'S OKAY. THERE ARE **NO MISTAKES** IN SCIENCE — THAT'S WHY THEY'RE CALLED "**EXPERIMENTS!**" **READY?**

MY BOWELS ARE **AFLUTTER** WITH ANTICIPATION.

IF I "mess up"? The audacity!

I could design a large hadron collider in the time it takes this clod to Velcro his shoes!

OKAY! SO, UH... FIRST, WE POUR THE **GREEN** STUFF INTO THE **RED** STUFF...

NO, **WAIT...**

MR. BALSABOOD? IF I MAY...

And yet here I am, taking orders from a man who couldn't science his way out of a baking soda volcano.

STAND BACK, DEWEY. I GOT THIS. **HELLO, SIRI?** WHAT'S "**NITRO-GLYCERINE?**"

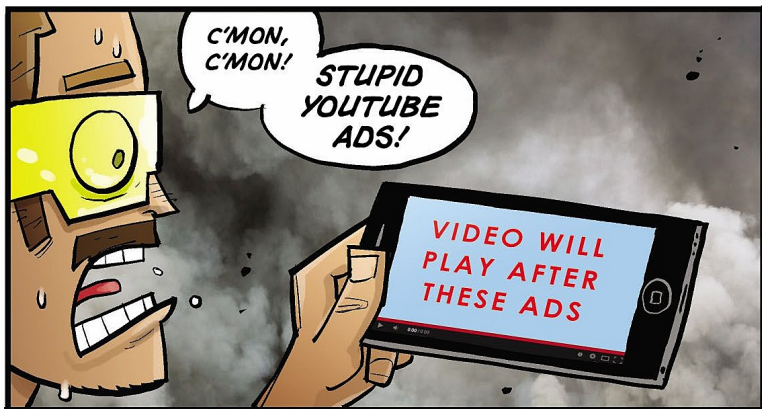
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OKAY, EVERYONE...JUST REMAIN CALM...THERE'S GOTTA BE A TUTORIAL VIDEO FOR THIS.

TYPE  
TYPE  
TYPO



C'MON, C'MON!

STUPID  
YOUTUBE  
ADS!



MAYBE IF I JUST POUR SOME WATER ON IT...

Pathetic. I've seen iPhone screens that didn't crack this easily.



This buffoon is going to get himself killed.

WATER  
MAKES IT  
WORSE!  
WATER  
MAKES IT  
WORSE!

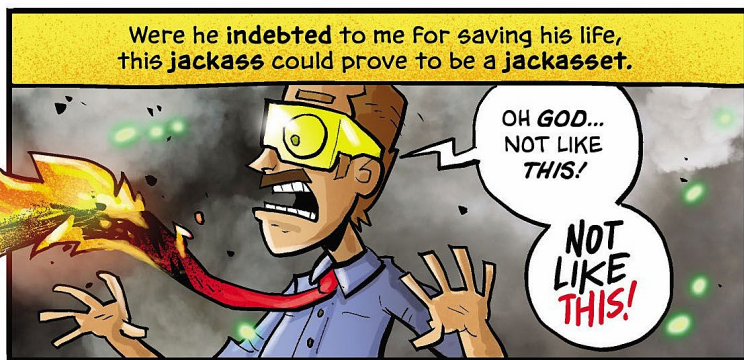
Which...  
could be quite  
entertaining.

FWOOSH!



Then again...he isn't without redeeming qualities: extreme gullibility, access to a chemistry lab...

Just those two, really. But it's the perfect recipe for an unwitting pawn.



Were he indebted to me for saving his life, this jackass could prove to be a jackasset.

OH GOD...  
NOT LIKE  
THIS!

NOT  
LIKE  
THIS!



Okay, inner monologue. You win. I'll spare this fool's life.

SAVE  
YOURSELVES,  
CHILDREN!

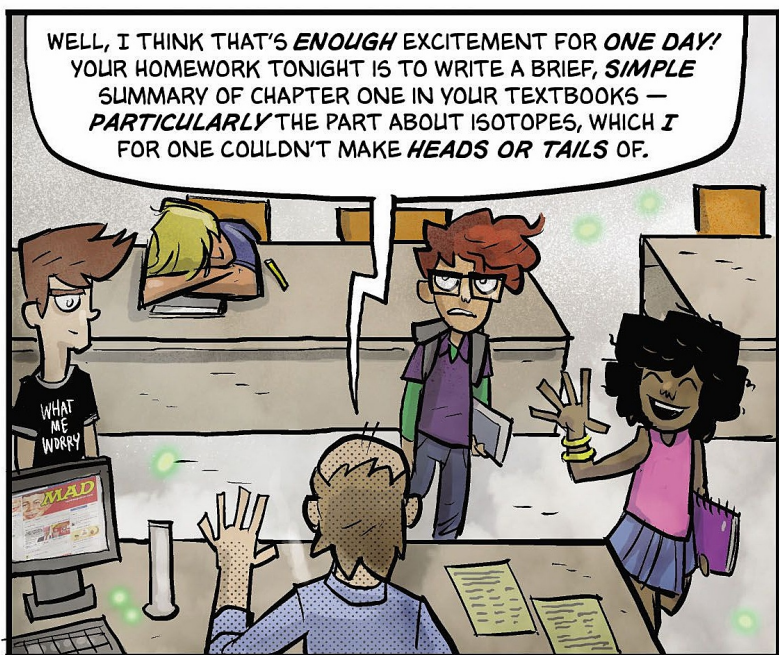


But only because in the grand scheme of things...



...it's the wrong thing to do.



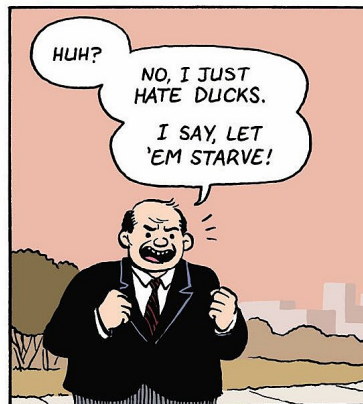


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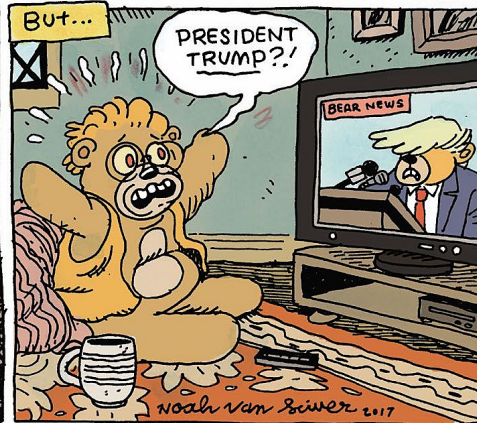
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## ALMOST PERFECT UNIVERSE

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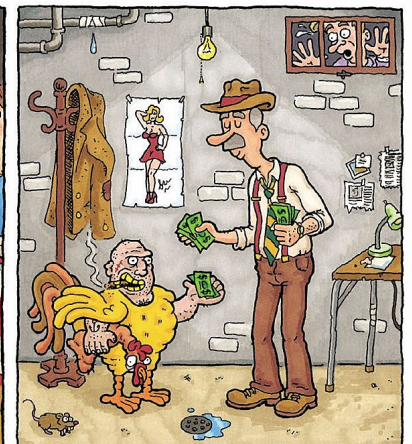
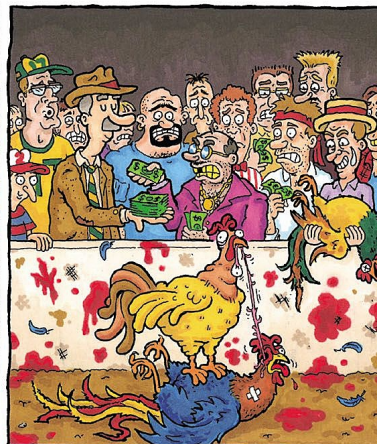
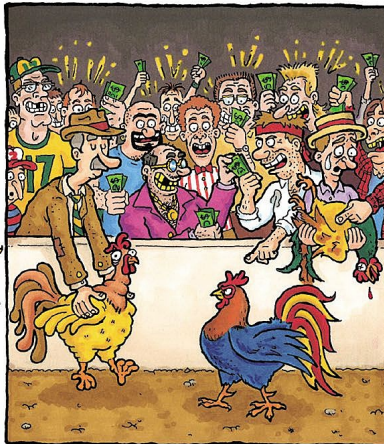
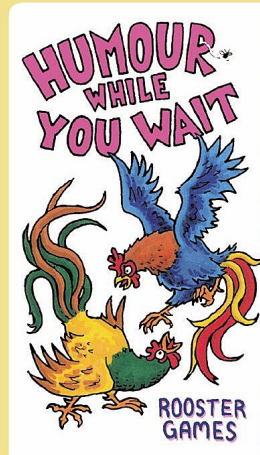
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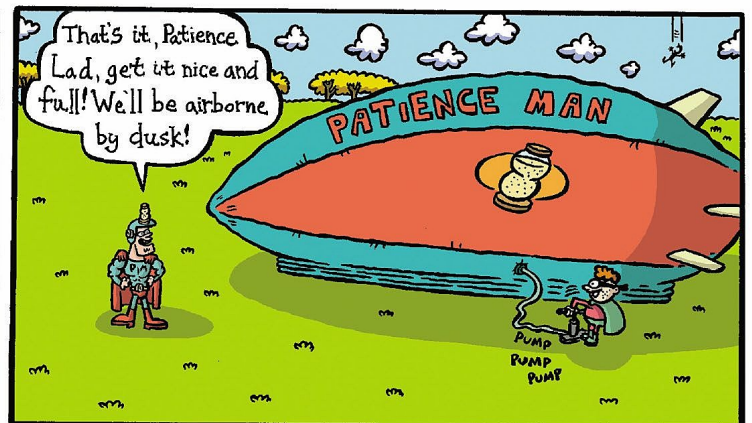
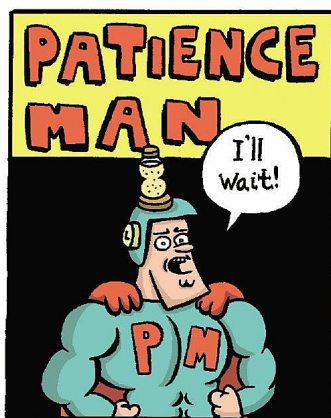
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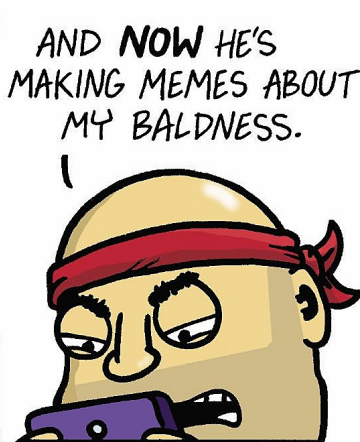
JOHN MCNAMEE



KYLE BRIDGETT



DAVID DEGRAND





Come with us, Sir.

What's going on?

There's been a **terror attack** at the Capitol. The **Eagle** is gone, **Congress**, the **Cabinet** — all **wiped out**! You are now the **President of the United States**.

But I'm only a **low-level cabinet member** — **Secretary of the Exterior, Dirt Roads and Windfarms**. Were there no survivors at the Capitol more capable than me?

Yes, there were — but according to the **Constitution**, the **interns** aren't next in line; **you are**! Now please **hurry**, you're here to start your **new career** as. . .

MEN

Mom, how long is Dad's **boring inaugural** going to last? I've got some **Molly** to **hustle** and I want to **spray paint** weird things on the **White House** portrait of **Woodrow Wilson** and I also think I'll **sext** the **Senate Appropriations Committee**.

Hmm. A **troubled, self-absorbed teenage son** on a **TV drama**. We haven't seen that in a **network series**, in what, about **20 minutes**? But he's still more **likable** than **Eric Trump**!

I'm **first lady** of the United States, **Alox Droopman**. I'm going to utter a **phrase** you never heard from **Michelle Obama**: our **country's** in **deep kaka**! The **Capitol's** been attacked, my **son's** a **drug dealer** and my **husband**, a **political nobody**, has suddenly been **thrust** into the **national spotlight**. I **adore** my **husband**. He's a **well-meaning, soft-spoken do-gooder**...but he's a **bit dull**. Let me put this in **perspective**. On the **charisma scale** of **Presidents**, he's somewhere between **James Polk** during his **first year** in office and **Benjamin Harrison** in **1904**. That was **three years** after **Harrison's death**!

We've got ourselves a **wuss** in the **White House**! I'm here to **change** all that. I'm **Strep Throatman**, the **President's** **speechwriter** and **advisor**. I'm going to **pump up Droopman**! Make him sound **strong, confident, well-informed** and **Presidential**. I'll have him **respected** both at home and abroad. I **promise** this will all **happen** by the end of **season one**.

And if that doesn't work?

In **season two** I'll have him **snapping necks** again!

**Somebody** on this page is a **traitor**! It could be **anybody**. It could be those **wacko four-star generals**. It could be the **President's speechwriter** — who incidentally is **half Muslim**, but, hey, I'm just **saying**. It could be the **President's own son**, **methamphetamine boy**!

Yet the **FBI** suspects **me**, just because I **mysteriously survived** the **Capitol bombing** with not a **scratch** on my **all-American face**. I'm **Plotter McLeashed**, a **clean-cut, well-respected congressman** and **decorated war hero**. My family goes back to the **Revolutionary War**. You can check me out on **Ancestry.com** — but **ignore** that page about my **distant cousin, Benedict Arnold**!

# DECIMATED SURVIVOR

I, Tame Droopman, do solemnly swear that I will execute the office of the President of the United States to the best of my ability. To be fair, to be thoughtful, to be mild-mannered. To not break heads, to no longer snap anyone's neck, to not shoot bad guys in the knee to make them talk. I promise not to grind suspects' hands in a wood chipper while I'm calmly questioning them. In other words, I will no longer be a bad-ass, so help me God!

This guy's a joke.

Does he have the clout to deal with the Russians?

He doesn't have the clout to deal with the Gilmore Girls!

I'm Congresswoman Nimble Jockstraddle. I'm a powerhouse in D.C. Yes, I'm abrasive and calculating. I make no secret of the fact that I'm gunning for Tame Droopman's job. But I promise that President Droopman has my wholehearted respect. I congratulate him. No other President in the past 40 years has been able to bring the blue states and the red states together. Yes, they all hate him — but he's united them!

I'm relentless FBI agent Hernia Welch. A terrible thing has happened here. Our nation's capitol has been attacked. I will stop at nothing, absolutely nothing, to track down not only who blew up the Capitol but those responsible for creating a cardboard cutout TV character like myself!

As head of ABC, I am proud of this political thriller. It's a fresh, original TV concept. This series is one of a kind.

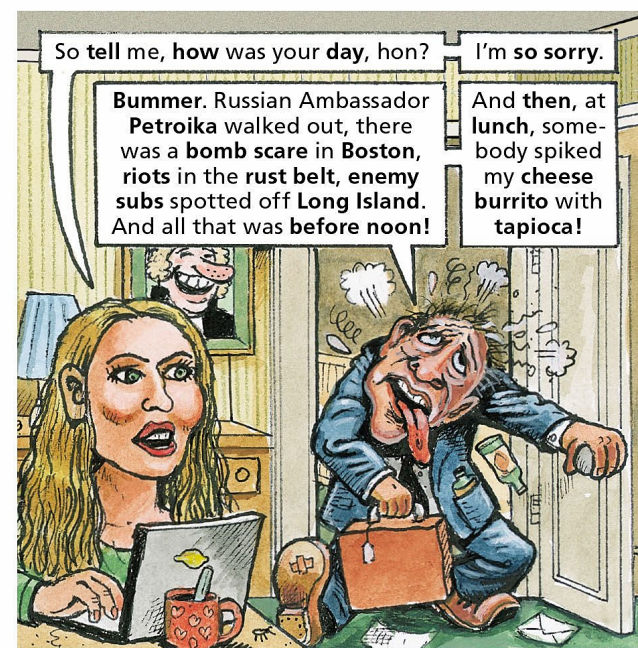
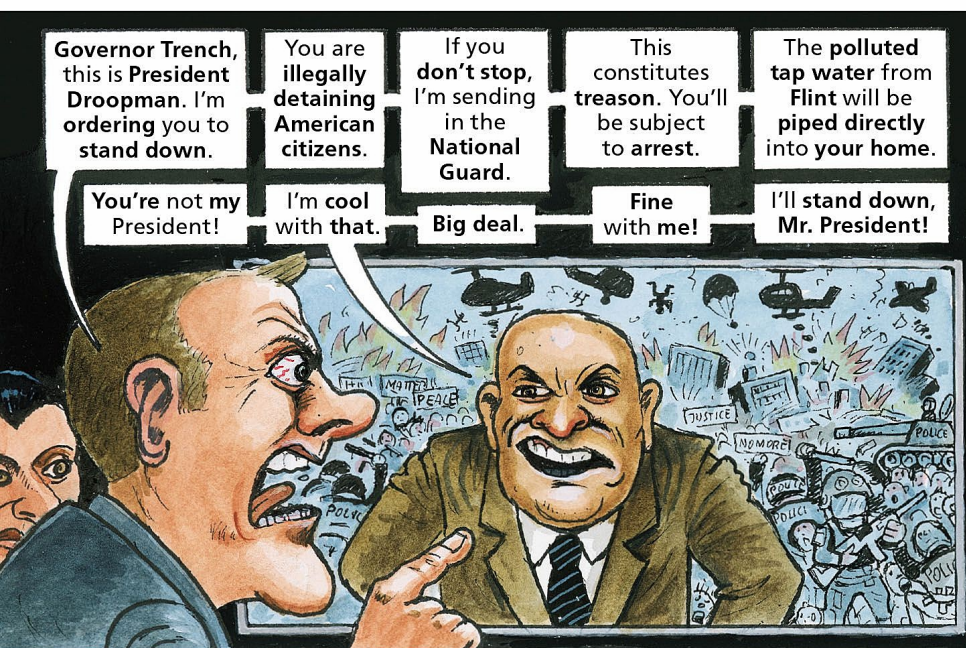
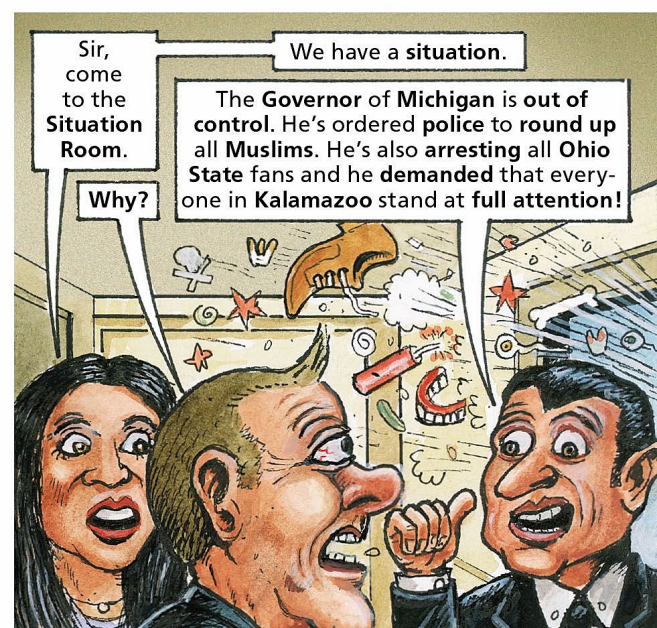
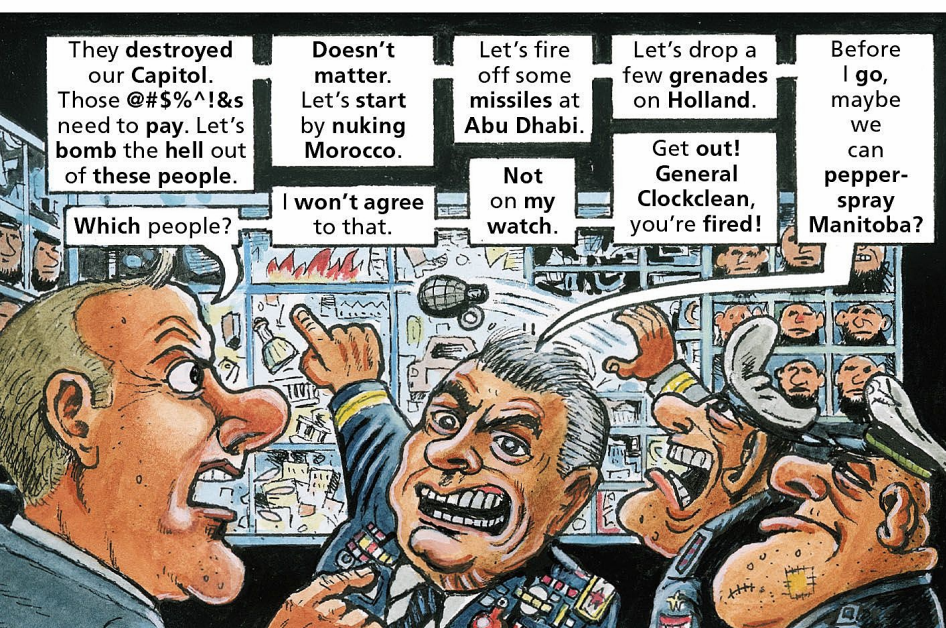
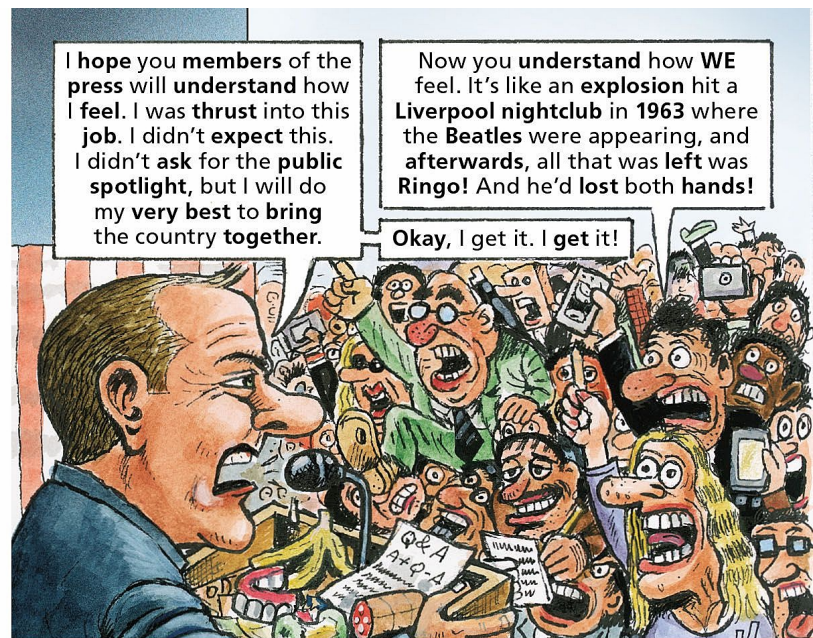
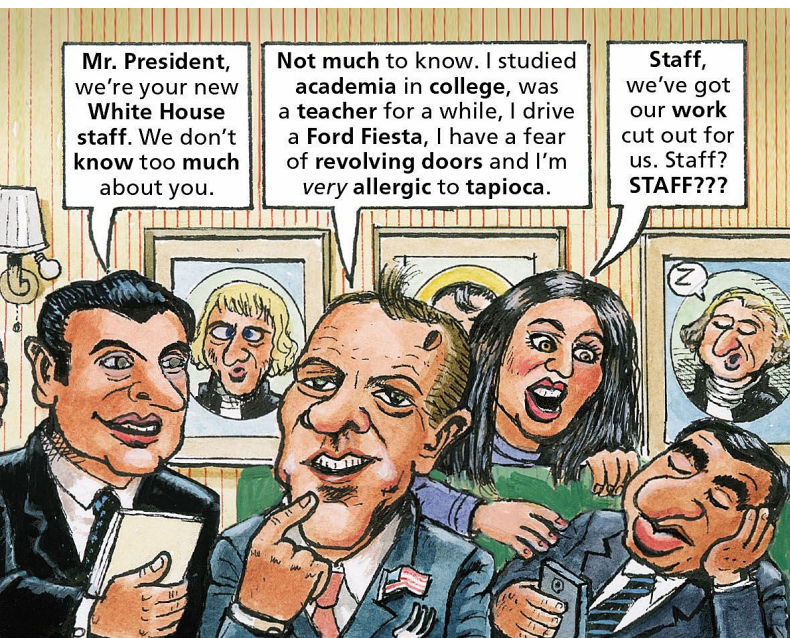
Actually, it's 24 meets *West Wing* meets *Homeland* meets *House of Cards* meets *Madame Secretary*.

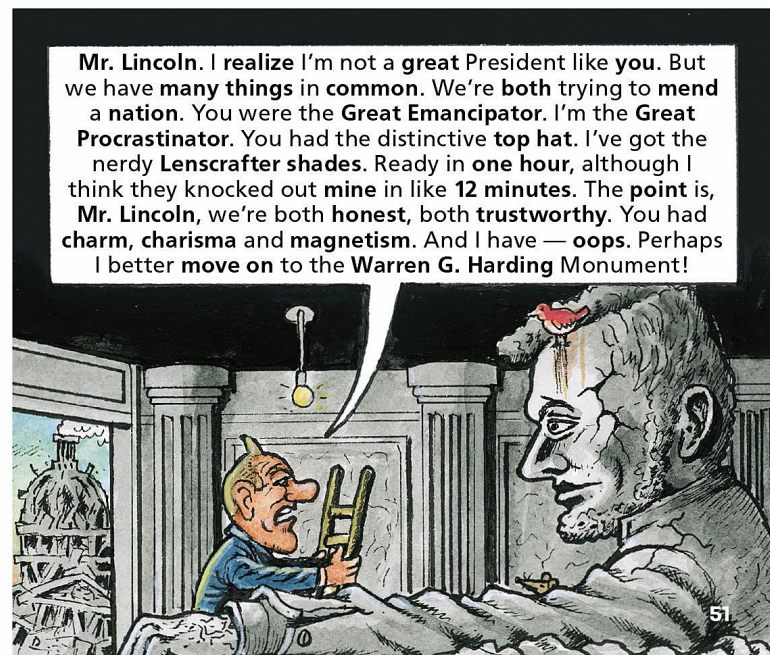
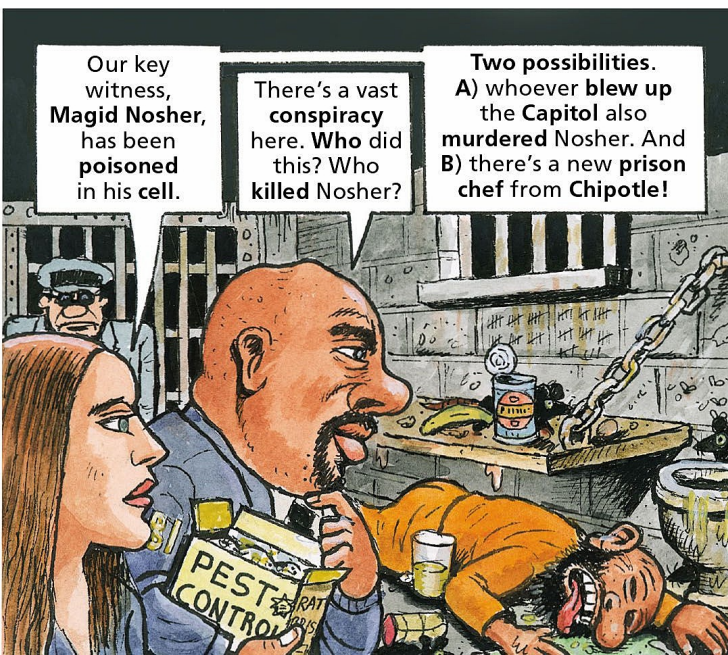
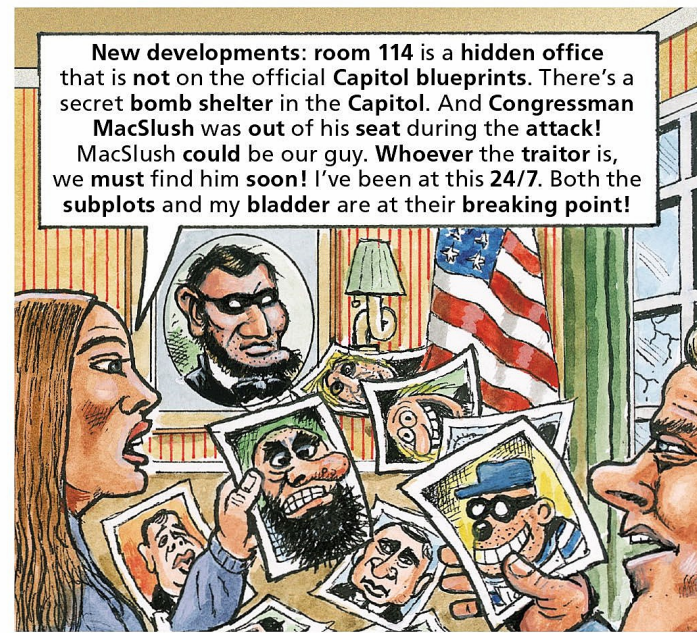
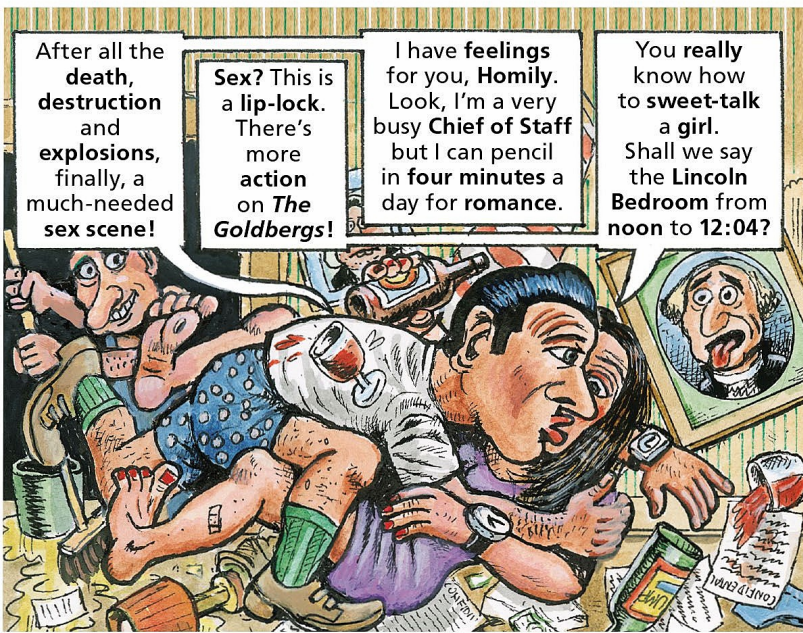
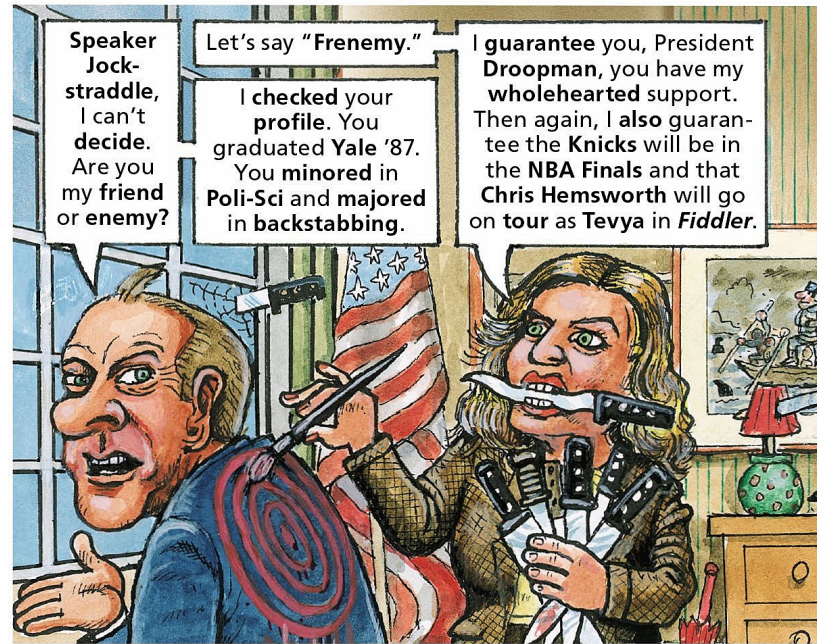
Alright, it's six of a kind! It also has a lot in common with *Touch*.

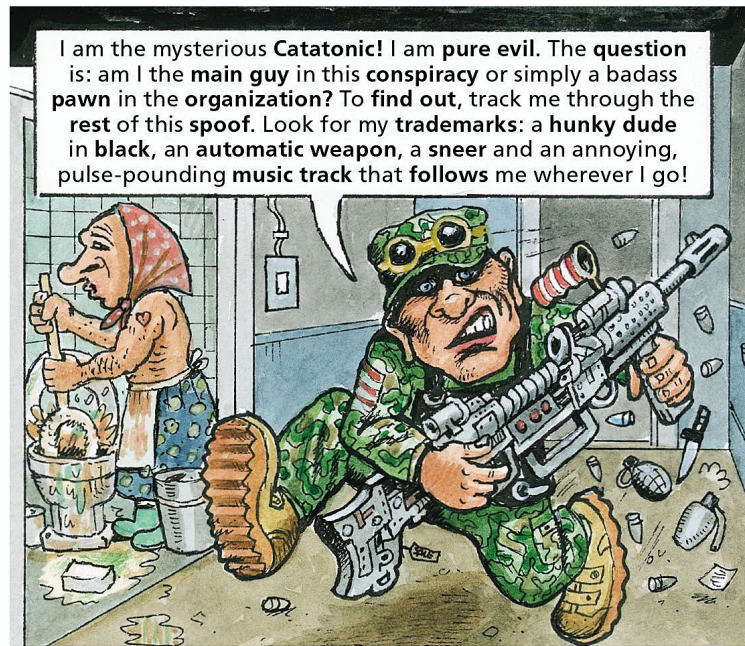
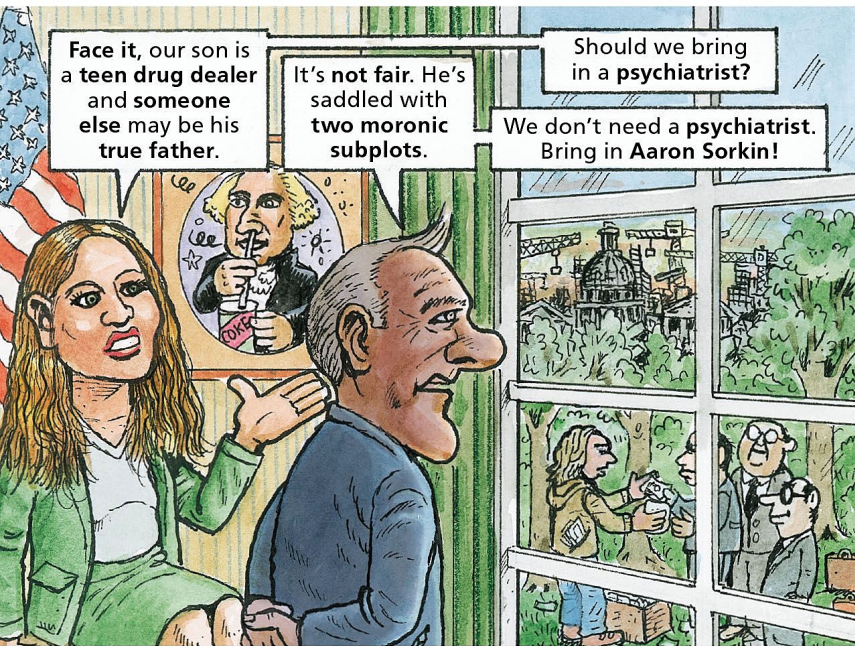
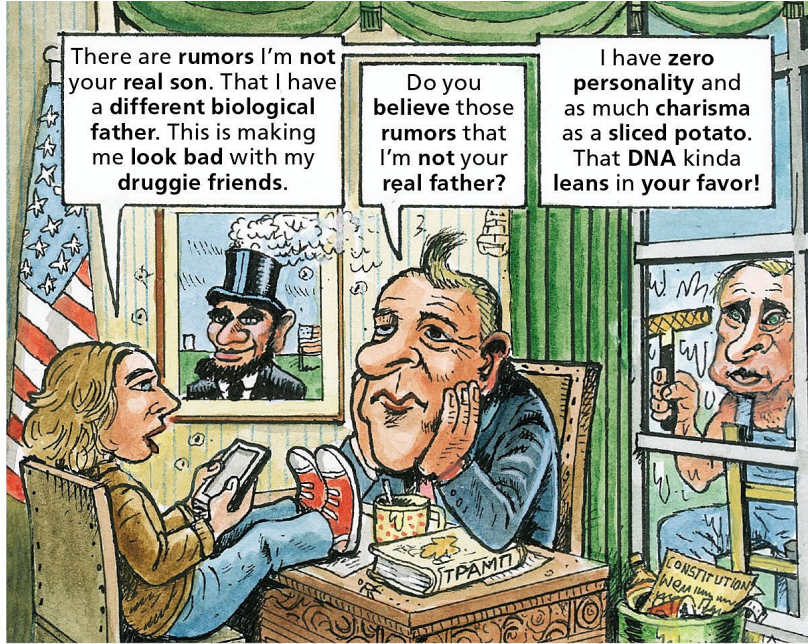
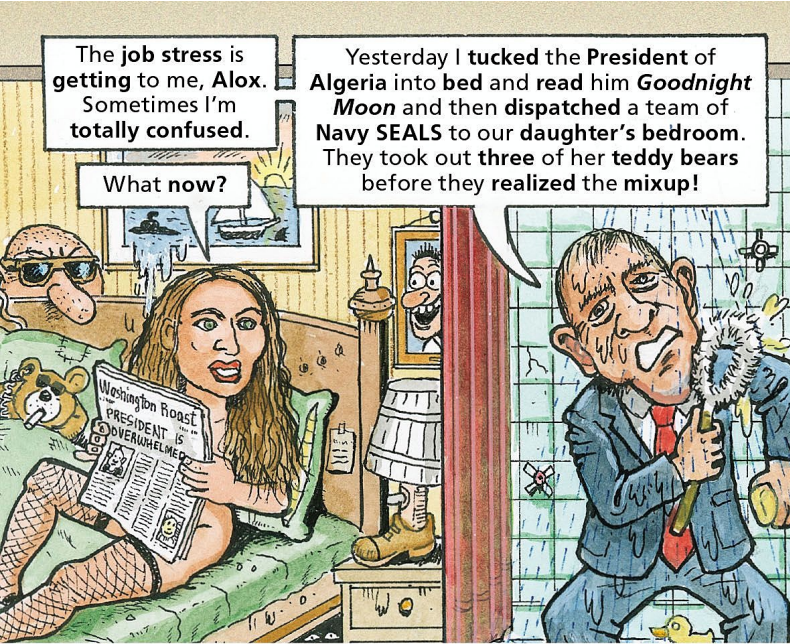
That show was cancelled after one season! Exactly!

The Capitol being bombed was just the first of 23 major calamities...

Seems like a lot of calamities for a season. ...in this episode!

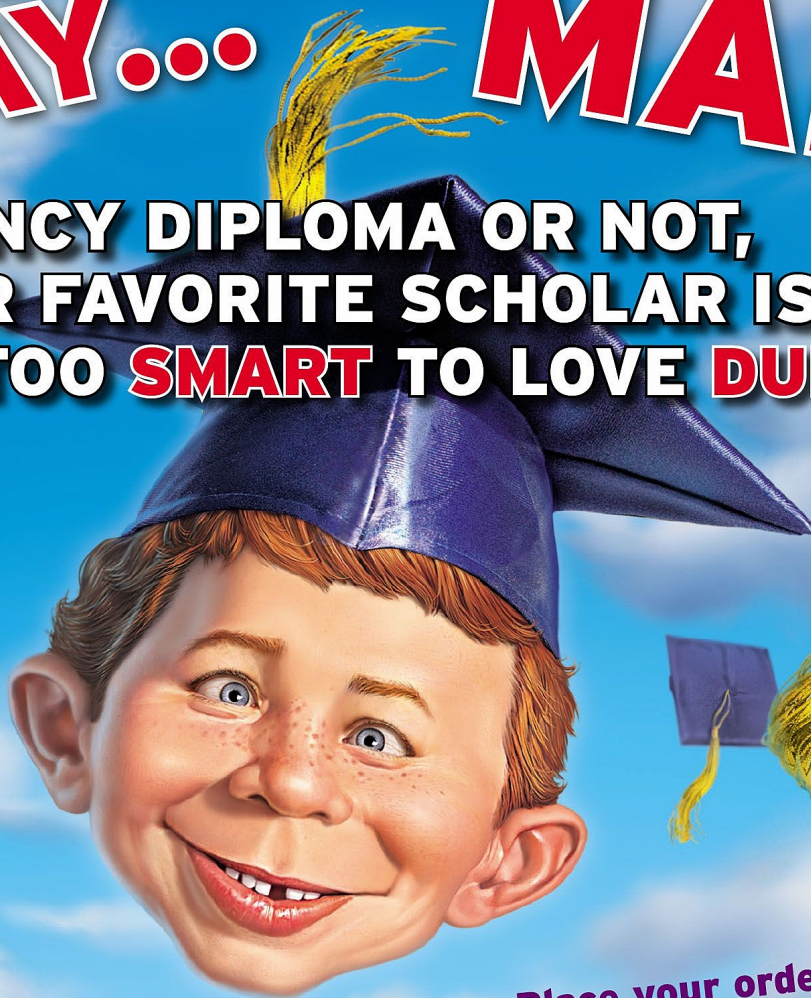






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The Supreme Court renders decisions about some of the most pressing topics of the day (with the exception of picking their constitutional rights, the Court is bound to end up with a mixed bag of cases. While the nation paid close attention

# SUPREME COURT CASES

## ROVER vs. WADE

Viewed as the test case to determine if anti-gay marriage activists are correct when they say it would lead to people marrying their pets.

# ARGLEMAN *vs.* KRAFT FOODS

**KRAFT FOODS**  
Yonson Argleman expected his arthritis to be cured by a jar of Miracle Whip and sued Kraft for false advertising. Legal experts expect the defendant to win, as happened when an atheist group claimed that serving angel food cake in federal building cafeterias violated the separation of church and state.

**LUANNA LINTBERRY  
vs. SIMPERSAP  
GREETING CARD COMPANY**

At stake is the question of whether or not the phrase "Meowy Christmas" is copyrighted when paired with a picture of a cat wearing a Santa hat. We know how Scalia would have voted, but what about the remaining eight?



**SCOTT MUDD vs.  
THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals said that the laws governing the United Federation of Planets don't apply to crimes committed at *Star Trek* conventions. Naturally, it was appealed again. As known Trekkies, Justices Ginsburg and Thomas may have to recuse themselves due to conflicts of interest.

## THAT GUY *vs.* SOME OTHER PEOPLE

One of the vaguest cases ever to work its way through the justice system, this one concerns free speech and/or property rights, or maybe even tariffs. Still, the Court is sure to find some way to divide along ideological lines.

# CLOWNS *vs.* THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

On one side, the Fraternal Brotherhood of Circus Clowns, who claim that they have the right to ply their trade in public schools. On the other, teachers and parents of children with a morbid fear of clowns. It's anyone's guess what dark childhood memories of the justices might affect the outcome.

**WRITER: JEFF KRUSE**

People's "Sexiest Man Alive" or Lays' newest potato chip flavor). But with over 300 million people trying to exercise (or violate) to rulings about same-sex marriage and the Affordable Care Act, few know about these other cases currently on the docket...

# WAITING TO BE HEARD

## CONGLOMERATIONS UNLIMITED *vs.* THE UNITED STATES

Would do away with voting altogether and simply award Congressional seats to the candidates who raise the most money in a given period of time. The concept should be appalling to the conservative judges who believe in "original intent," but it's a sure bet they'll come up with an argument to support it.

## NFL PLAYERS ASSOCIATION *vs.* ROGER GOODELL

Does the intentional grounding rule unlawfully prohibit quarterbacks from exercising their rights under the Ninth Amendment? Stay tuned.

## DOE *vs.* NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

A woman whose actual name is Jane Doe would like coroners across the land to quit referring to unidentified female corpses as "Jane Doe." The plaintiff is claiming that any name they choose will inevitably be someone's actual name — however, Jane Doe feels that is "their problem, not hers."



## MIRANDA *vs.* ARIZONA, PART II

It's settled law that police must advise people of their rights upon arrest. But will it become law that they must also "smile, tip their caps and ask how the arrestee's day is going," as Phoenix resident Eddie Miranda is demanding? Probably not, but with this court, you never know.

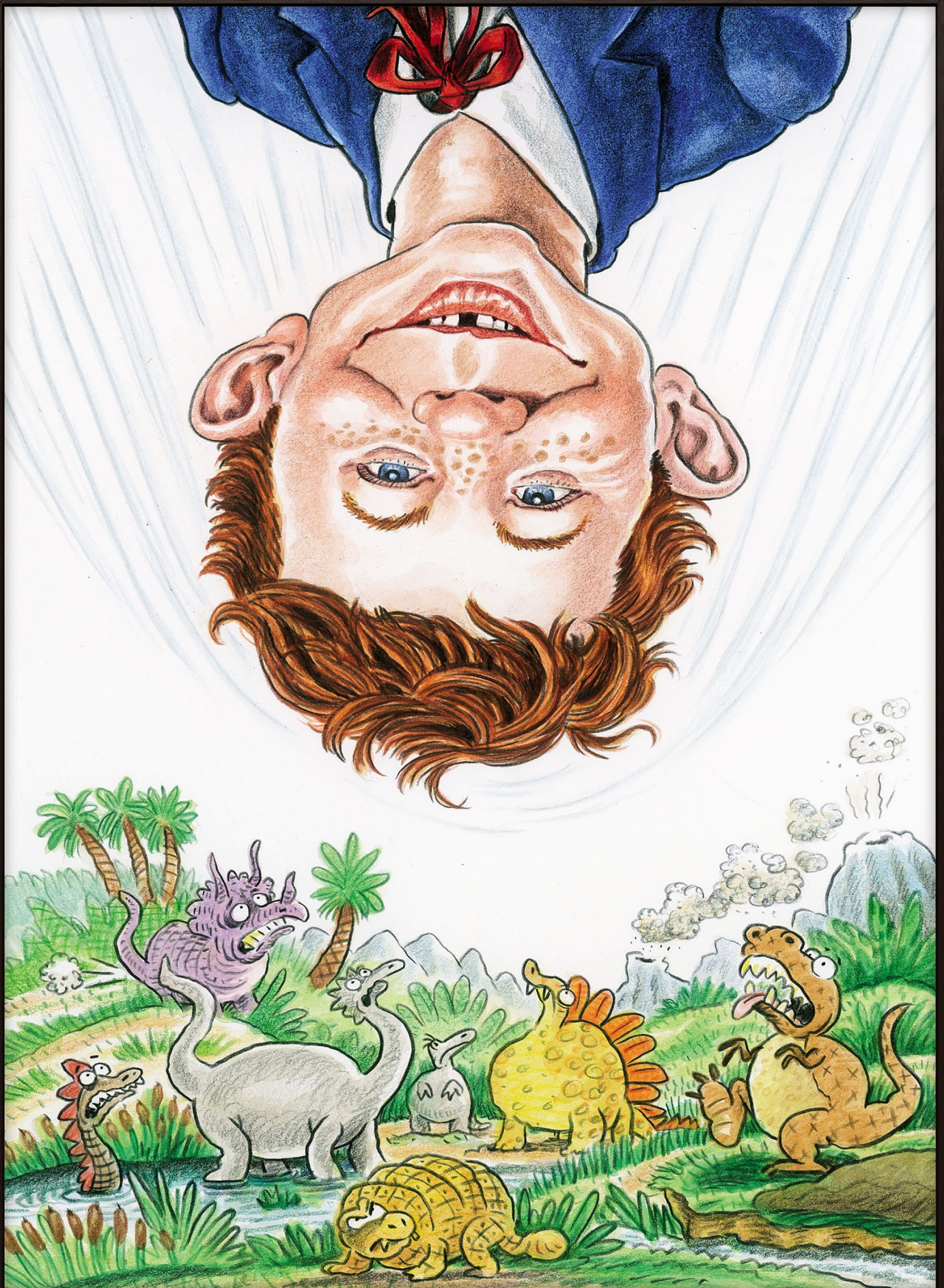
## BORPST *vs.* UNITED PARCEL SERVICE

After Wilton Borpst crashed three trucks and repeatedly delivered packages to the wrong addresses, UPS fired him, citing "gross incompetence." Borpst did not challenge the accusation, but is claiming that gross incompetence is a condition covered by the Americans with Disabilities Act.

## FRIENDS OF GOD ALMIGHTY *vs.* THE WOMEN OF TEXAS

Pro-life group FOGA convinced Texas politicians to enact a law stating that before a woman could have an abortion, her provider had to show her an artist's rendering of how cute a one-year-old baby is, then impose a waiting period of eight months before the procedure. The opposing side says the law is an undue burden on women and doctors, but SCOTUS will have the final say.

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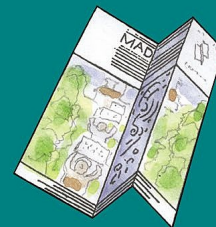
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## HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS **MAD FOLD-IN**

There's something just under the surface that was untapped for years, but is now being brought out in the worst ways possible. The devastating result is damaging our country, yet there's no sign that it will stop. To find out what this horrifying shake-up is, fold page in as shown.



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EARTH-SHAKING PROTESTS ARE EVERYWHERE NOW. INEQUALITY PLAYS A BIG PART. CORRECTING IT ALL TAKES CAREFUL SHARING OF TAX MONEY WITH PEOPLE ABUSED BY FREQUENT HARDSHIP. FAIR PLAY, SADLY, IS STILL LACKING

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» **TIRED OF** doing the same work as men,  
but getting paid 30% less?

» **SICK OF** getting passed over for  
promotions just because you have  
two X chromosomes?

» **HAD ENOUGH** of your boss focusing on  
your chest more than your IQ?

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